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*James Lida Stinson*

### DEDICATION

This has indeed been a Duty of Love for the Order, as neither I nor anyone connected with the preparation of this book has received any remuneration in any form for their labors. Therefore, I dedicate this book to one, who too gave freely of his time, money and strength in order that his vision of a strong Grange Organization within the State of Connecticut would one day be realized,

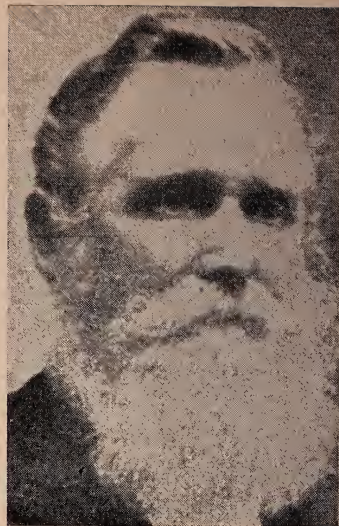
SHERMAN KIMBERLY

First Master of the Second State Grange,  
and, father of my husband's mother.



"Resolved, That not only was he the first member of the Grange in Connecticut, but he also organized the State Grange, under the reorganization of the Order in the State, was its first Master, and organized more Granges during the first decade than any other Patron."

(Excerpt from the resolutions adopted by Hope Grange No. 20 in 1905 after the death of Sherman Kimberly.)



**National Grange**  
OF THE  
**PATRONS OF HUSBANDRY.**

J. J. WOODMAN, Master.

Parr Parr, Mich. April 8<sup>th</sup> 1889

S. Kimberly,

My dear Sir & Brother

Yours of the 3<sup>rd</sup> is before me and I hasten to reply. I am gratified to learn that you have hopes of a revival of Grange interests in your State, and that one more has been enrolled for the work. I send you a "Cipher," by which you will be able to form the New A. W. after receiving the "Key," which I will communicate in due time. I suspect this new enrollee to the Grange recently organized by you. Your State Grange has lost its legal existence, but can be reorganized as soon as you can get the requisite number of Grangers into working Order. So you need not send duplicates of organization papers to the former Secretary of your State Grange.

I enclose a Commission as General Deputy for you, which will give you power to Organize and revise Groups, also to receive dues and reports from Sub Groups, and forward the same to the Secretary of the National Group. You will not, however, be entitled to any remuneration <sup>or expenses</sup> for services from the National Group. You must look to the Groups you organize, and that are under your jurisdiction and control, for pay for your time and expenses. You will have all the power of the Master of a State Group, in organizing and instructing Groups, and in settling all questions of jurisdiction, law and usage between and arising in Sub Groups, subject to appeal to the Master of the National Group. I advise you to make the jurisdiction of Groups sufficiently large to enable each Group to have, ample territory and material for building up and supporting, a good Group. It will give me pleasure at all times to answer your inquiries and give you any instructions which you may desire. I hope and trust that you may organize many Groups, and that your State may again be enrolled with the prosperous Group States.

Respectfully  
J. Woodman



## FOREWORD

Serious minded people readily agree that power - the ability to accomplish - is gained through knowledge. Knowledge is gained from either personal experience or words, either spoken or written.

In many instances it is not only necessary but far more authentic to depend upon the written word for our information. History is one of those instances. An individual person cannot go back over the years to obtain the personal experience, and spoken words too often (unintentionally I am sure) become imaginative.

Many Patrons feel that our Organization has reached the age when the facts accompanying and causing its existence and growth in Connecticut should be available to present and future and all other interested parties. A written

statement many times explains why certain things are as they are and also enables one to decide certain plans.

It is well that this book explaining the growth of the Grange in Connecticut has been written while there are still many Patrons living (who could be consulted) instead of at a later date when many details would, of necessity, have been assumed.

It is hoped that the facts contained herein will prove interesting and educational in the years to come. My very sincere thanks to the compiler, Lida S. Ives for the facts she has thoroughly made available in such an interesting and instructive manner.

Signed: IRA F. WILCOX,

Master of the Connecticut  
State Grange

AUGUST 1, 1953



## AUTHOR'S NOTE

Because of the differences in various records, it was found necessary to try to establish some source of information for the materials in this Book. The following are sources where the information contained therein was found. The Original Charter Lists in the State Secretaries Office; The Journals of Proceedings of the Connecticut State Grange; Secretarys' Minute Books; The National Grange Secretary's Office; The Journals of Proceedings of the National Grange; State Grange Directories; Lecturerers Handbooks; The book, "The Connecticut Granges"; the book, "The Grange, The Friend of the Farmer"; Subordinate and Pomona Secretaries Records in the State Office, Town Records, Personal Dairies, Letters and Records in the State Office and elsewhere. This Bcok no doubt contains both errors and omissions, both of which are unintentional.







## APPRECIATION

First, I wish to Thank my Family for the patience and thoughtfulness shown me during the period of compilation when meals were tardy and the house frequently bescattered with "Do Not Touch" records and manuscripts. Second, I wish to thank Worthy State Master Wilcox and Worthy State Secretary Covell for the encouragement and assistance they gave me, and third, I wish to thank Sister Edith Zeiner of Plymouth Grange, Sister Sara Peyre of Eureka Grange and Sister Helen Wilcox of Tolland Grange and all others that cheerfully gave of their time and talent in making the preparation of this Book easier for me, also Past State Lecturer Sister Sally Curtis for her advice and the records she turned over to me on the work previously collected for such a project.



# THE GRANGE IN CONNECTICUT

## THE NATIONAL GRANGE

The National Grange was organized on December 4, 1867, in Washington, D. C., by Oliver Hudson Kelley, a man of New England birth who went to Itasca, Minnesota in his early manhood.

The Grange or Patrons of Husbandry as it is known had the following Seven Founders of this Order:

1. Oliver Hudson Kelley, born on January 7, 1826 in Boston, Massachusetts: later moved to Itasca, Minnesota, was associated in the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Government at the close of the Civil War: originated the idea in conjunction with his niece, Miss Caroline Hall from whence sprung the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry. He died January 20, 1913 and is buried in Rock Creek Cemetery in Washington, D. C.
2. William Saunders, born on December 7, 1822, in St. Andrews, Scotland. He was famous because of his landscape work in the Capitol Grounds at Washington, D. C. and his experimental work in the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Government. He died on September 11, 1900, and is buried in Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, D. C.
3. Rev. Aaron B. Grosh, born somewhere in Pennsylvania. He was employed in the Department of Agriculture in the Federal Government. He died on March 27, 1884, and is buried in Marietta, Pa.
4. William M. Ireland, born somewhere in Pennsylvania. He was employed in the Post Office Department of the Federal Government in Washington, D. C. He died on December 4, 1891

and is buried in the Mt. Vernon Cemetery in Philadelphia, Pa.

5. Rev. John Trimble, born in 1831 somewhere in New Jersey. He was employed in the Treasury Department of the Federal Government. He died on December 30, 1902, and is buried in the Oak Hill Cemetery in Washington, D. C.
6. John R. Thompson, born on July 28, 1834, somewhere in New Hampshire. He was employed in the Treasury Department of the Federal Government. He died on February 12, 1894 and was buried in the Rock Creek Cemetery, in Washington, D. C.
7. Francis M. McDowell, born in 1831, in Wayne, N. Y. He was a successful Pomologist in Wayne, New York. He died in March 1894 and was buried in Lakeview Cemetery in Penn Yan, New York.

Associated with and truly responsible for the place that woman holds in the Grange today was Miss Caroline A. Hall, born in Boston, Mass., on December 3, 1838. She was the niece of the second wife of Oliver Hudson Kelley. She made her home with the Kelley family and followed them to Minnesota and from thence to Washington, D. C. and later to Florida. She died on December 11, 1918, following a serious accident, in French Lick, Indiana, and is buried in the Lake Wood Cemetery in Minneapolis, Minn. In the 1892 session of the National Grange held in Concord, N. H., the following vote was taken: "That the Worthy Secretary be and is hereby instructed to inform Sister Caroline A. Hall that the National Grange recognizes her as equal to a Founder of the Order of the Patrons of Husbandry."

The National Grange was incorporated under the Laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky on April 6, 1876.

The National Grange is the Supreme Law Making Power of the Order.

The sixth Degree for several years was the accepted degree at the National Grange. The members received it for several years by obligation and instruction only. In November 1883 it was conferred for the first time at the National Grange on a class of candidates. In November 1877 at the Lansing, Michigan session of the National Grange it was voted to share the conferring of the sixth Degree with State Granges. In November 1884 at the Nashville, Tennessee session of the National Grange the seventh Degree was conferred for the first time upon a class of candidates. The seventh Degree is now the accepted National Grange Degree.

On April 15, 1875, Connecticut became the 33rd State Grange to be organized under the National Grange. National Grange Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa completed this organization in Danbury, Conn.

#### ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS FROM CONNECTICUT IN THE NATIONAL GRANGE

OVERSEER—Leonard H. Healey, 1911, 1912, 1913

#### ASSISTANT STEWARD—

J. H. Hale, 1887, 1888, 1889

L. H. Healey, 1909, 1910, 1911

J. Arthur Sherwood, Nov. 1913 to Nov. 1915.

Allen Cook, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927

#### CHAPLAIN—

S. O. Bowen, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901

O. S. Wood 1907, 1908, 1909

GATEKEEPER—B. C. Patterson, 1903, 1904, 1905

CERES—Mrs Eva Sherwood, 1915, 1916, 1917

POMONA — Mrs. Harvy Godard, 1875, 1876, 1877, 1878

HIGH PRIEST OF DEMETER — Dr. George Austin Bowen, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901.

PRIEST ANNALIST—Harry L. Page, appointed Aug. 1947 to Nov. 1947; elected Nov. 1947 to Nov. 1949  
Ira F. Wilcox, Nov. 1949 to Nov. 1953

#### PRIEST HERALD—

J. H. Hale, 1889

S. O. Bowen, 1898, 1899

L. G. Tolles, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934

PRIESTESS FLORA—Addie S. Hale, 1889

#### PRIEST MYSTAGOGUE—

B. C. Patterson, 1901, 1902

B. C. Patterson, 1907, 1908

J. A. Sherwood, 1912, 1913

#### PRIEST GUARDIAN—

B. C. Patterson, 1903, 1904, 1905

A. B. Cook, 1922, 1923

#### PRIEST CONDUCTOR—

L. H. Healey, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913.

J. A. Sherwood, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917

PRIESTESS CERES — Eva Sherwood, 1916, 1917

#### PRIEST ORATOR

Allen B. Cook, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927  
Minor Ives, 1929

PRIEST MESSENGER—Harry L. Page, 1946

#### HOME ECONOMICS CHAIRMEN—

Mrs. Nellie Blakeman, 1921, 1922

Mrs. Cora D. Tucker, 1939, 1940, 1941

Mrs. Lida S. Ives, 1942, 1943, 1944



## THE CONNECTICUT STATE GRANGE

### The First State Grange

National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa came to Connecticut and organized a group of Subordinate Granges enough to qualify the Organization of the 33rd State Grange to be admitted to the National Grange. This took place in the Opera House in Danbury, Conn. on April 15, 1875. Information about the officers elected and the Granges (20 in number) that operated under this State Grange will be found elsewhere in this book. Four or five meetings were held including both special and regular, as the old records are not entirely available we have to rely upon memory of our older Grange members and the families of those original Grange workers for the story evolved around its progress and final failure to keep the established number of Subordinate Granges necessary for a seating as Delegates within the National Grange.

We find record of meetings being held on April 15, 16, 1875, in the Opera House in Danbury, Conn.; December 28, 29, 1875 in Stedman Hall, Hartford, Conn.; December 28 and 29, 1876 in Stedman Grange Hall, Hartford, Conn; Hope Grange Hall in West Torrington on February 13, 14, 1878 and in the home of East Granby, Master Levi C. Viets in East Granby, Conn., sometime in December 1878.

Misunderstanding and poorly defined rules and regulations led to disputes between sections of the State; improper instruction and understanding of the ritual; lack of proper coordination in having a defined buying and selling agreement between merchants and others; low dues and little money in the Treasury were factors that all contributed to the final failure of this group to operate as a State Grange.

A previous history, "The Connecticut Granges," tells us that Connecticut was represented in the National Grange at Louisville, Kentucky, in 1875; Chicago in 1876; Cincinnati in 1877; Richmond in 1878 and Boston in 1879.

The following were the twenty Subordinate Granges that comprised the first

### State Grange in Connecticut:

Stafford No. 1, in Stafford  
Windsor No. 2, in Windsor  
Lanesville No. 3, in New Milford  
Hawleyville No. 4, in Newtown  
Granby No. 5, in Granby  
Danbury No. 6, in Danbury  
Roxbury No. 7, in Roxbury  
Sherman No. 8, in New Milford  
Hartland No. 9, in Hartland  
West Suffield No. 10, in Suffield  
Washington No. 11, in Washington  
East Granby No. 12, in East Granby  
Tunxis No. 13, in Bloomfield  
Bloomfield No. 14, in Bloomfield  
Redding No. 15, in Redding  
Colebrook No. 16, in Colebrook  
Kent No. 17, in Kent  
Simsbury No. 18, in Simsbury  
Housatonic No. 19, in Falls Village,  
Canaan  
Hope No. 20, in West Torrington

Sherman Kimberly of West Torrington, a member of Hope Grange No. 20, was elected Master after Brother Harvey Godard resigned at the December 1878 meeting. As he was appointed National Deputy by National Master J. J. Woodman, he finally succeeded in organizing enough Granges so that on June 24, 1885, the second State Grange was organized in South Glastonbury, Connecticut.

### The Second Connecticut State Grange

In pursuance of a call from National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of West Torrington, delegations from sixteen Subordinate Granges in Connecticut met in Convention at Academy Building, South Glastonbury, Conn., on June 24, 1885. The following Granges were represented: Granby, Tunxis, Hope of the First Grange group, and Lebanon, Advance, Cheshire, Berlin, Union, Glastonbury, Suffield, South Windsor, Meriden, Wapping, Manchester, North Cornwall and Wallingford.

The State Grange Degree was the Fifth Degree during the period of the First State Grange and during 1885, 1886 of the Second State Grange. Then the National Grange allowed the State Grange the honor of conferring the

Sixth Degree upon its candidates. Thus the first class of candidates on which it was conferred in the State of Connecticut was in December 1887. It is known as the Degree of Flora.

In the following pages will be found, the dates and places of each annual session since June 1885; the names of each officer and the years they served. This includes Deputies and prominent committee members; the names and brief history of each Subordinate Grange, Pomona Grange and Juvenile Grange that ensued; the numbers having taken the State Grange Degree; and a list of the Gold Sheaf Members within Connecticut; and a brief statement of events of importance concerning the Grange during the years, as it affected the Grange, the community, the State and the Nation from a Connecticut standpoint.

#### ANNUAL PLACES OF STATE GRANGE MEETINGS

1885, June 24—organization—Academy Building at South Glastonbury	
1885, December 1—Unity Hall, Pratt St., Hartford—5th degree	139
1886, December 7, 8, 9—Unity Hall, Pratt St., Hartford—5th degree	126
1887, December 6, 12, 13—United States Hotel, Hartford—6th degree	140
1889, January 8, 9, 10—Town Hall, Meriden	181
1890, January 14, 15, 16, 17 — Opera House, Willimantic	163
1891, January 13, 14, 15, 16 — Opera House, Bristol	129
1892, January 12, 13, 14, 15—Memorial Hall, Rockville	182
1893, January 10, 11, 12, 13—Opera House, Torrington	158
1894, January 9, 10, 11, 12—Jewell Hall, Hartford	159
1895, January 8, 9, 10 — Siering and Holmes Hall, New Britain	144
1896, January 14, 15, 16, 17 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	108
1897, January 12, 13, 14—Warner Hall, New Haven	145
1898, January 11, 12, 13, 14—Auditorium, Hartford	53
1899, January 10, 11, 12—City Hall, Waterbury	104
1900, January 9, 10, 11—Auditorium, Hartford	59
1901, January 8, 9, 10—Masonic Temple, Bridgeport	123
1902, January 14, 15, 16 — Auditorium, Hartford	112
1903, January 13, 14, 15—Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	93
1904, January 12, 13, 14 — Auditorium, Hartford	110
1905, January 11, 12, 13 — Auditorium, Hartford	118
1906, January 9, 10, 11 — Auditorium, Hartford	137
1907, January 2, 3, 4 — Auditorium, Hartford	318
1908, January 14, 15, 16 — Auditorium, Hartford	847
1909, January 12, 13, 14 — Auditorium, Hartford	147
1910, January 11, 12, 13—Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	134
1911, January 10, 11, 12 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	150
1912, January 9, 10, 11 — Eagles' Hall, Bridgeport	152
1913, January 14, 15, 16—Lawrence Hall, New London	217
1914, January 13, 14, 15 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	176
1915, January 12, 13, 14—Masonic Hall, Waterbury	261
1916, January 11, 12, 13 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	146
1917, January 9, 10, 11 — Town Hall, Norwich	178
1918, January 8, 9, 10—Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	207
1919, January 14, 15, 16 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	152
1920, January 13, 14, 15 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	809
1921, January 11, 12, 13 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	92
1922, January 10, 11, 12 — Temple Hall, Waterbury	210
1923, January 9, 10, 11 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	148
1924, January 8, 9, 10 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	197
1925, January 13, 14, 15 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	248
1926, January 12, 13, 14 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford	244
1927, January 11, 12, 13 — Hotel Stratfield, Bridgeport,	244

1928, January 10, 11, 12 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	238
1929, January 8, 9, 10—Hotel Stratfield, Bridgeport .....	500
1930, January 14, 15, 16 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	968
1931, January 13, 14, 15—Hotel Strat- field, Bridgeport .....	427
1932, January 12, 13, 14 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	287
1933, January 10, 11, 12—Hotel Strat- field, Bridgeport .....	241
1934, January 9, 10, 11 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	1669
1935, January 8, 9, 10—Hotel Stratfield, Bridgeport .....	2156
1936, January 14, 15, 16 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	103
1937, January 12, 13, 14—Hotel Strat- field, Bridgeport .....	105
1938, January 11, 12, 13 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	216
1939, January 10, 11, 12—Hotel Strat- field, Bridgeport .....	210
1940, January 9, 10, 11—Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	372
1941, January 14, 15, 16—Hotel Strat- field, Bridgeport .....	365
1942, January 13, 14, 15 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	1407
1943, January 12, 13, 14—Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	59
1944, January 11, 12, 13—Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	225
1945, January 9, 10, 11 — Hotel Bond, Hartford .....	363
1946, January 8, 9, 10 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	422
1947, January 14, 15, 16 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	230
1948, January 13, 14, 15 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	143
1948, October 21, 22, 23 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	832
1949, October 20, 21, 22 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	266
1950, October 19, 20, 21 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	485
1951, October 18, 19, 20 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	760
1952, October 16, 17, 18 — Foot Guard Hall, Hartford .....	345

## OFFICERS OF THE CONNECTICUT STATE GRANGE

### MASTERS

#### First State Grange

Harvy Godard, Farmer, North Granby,  
Connecticut, 1875, 1876, 1877.

Sherman Kimberly, Farmer, West Tor-  
rington, Connecticut, 1878-1886.

The Connecticut State Grange ceased  
to operate as a State Grange between  
1878 and 1885; during this period Sher-  
man Kimberly was appointed by the  
National Grange to serve without re-  
muneration as a National Deputy.

#### Second State Grange

Sherman Kimberly, Farmer, West Tor-  
rington, Connecticut; 1885

J. H. Hale, Farmer, Glastonbury, Con-  
necticut; 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889

Dr. George Austin Bowen, Physician and  
Surgeon, Woodstock, Connecticut; 1890,  
1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895

S. O. Bowen, Farmer, Eastford, Connecti-  
cut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

B. C. Patterson, Farmer, Torrington,  
Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903

O. S. Wood, Farmer, Ellington, Connecti-  
cut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907

Leonard H. Healey, Farmer and Insur-  
ance, North Woodstock, Connecticut;  
1908, 1909, 1910, 1911

B. A. Peck, Farmer, Bristol, Connecticut;  
1912. died in office in June 1912

J. Arthur Sherwood, Farmer, Easton,  
Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915

Charles T. Davis, Farmer and Banker,  
Middletown, Connecticut; 1916, 1917

Frank E. Blakeman, Farmer, Oronoque,  
Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921

Allen B. Cook, Farmer, Niantic, Con-  
necticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925

Minor Ives, Farmer, South Meriden, Con-  
necticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929

Louis G. Tolles, Farmer and Insurance,  
Southington, Connecticut; 1930, 1931,  
1932, 1933

Frank H. Peet, Farmer, Kent, Connecti-  
cut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937

Edgar L. Tucker, Farmer, Shelton, Con-  
necticut; 1938, 1939



Sherman K. Ives, Farmer and Insurance, Thomaston, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943

Harry L. Page, Farmer and Insurance, Guilford, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947

Sidney G. Hall, Farmer, Norwich, Connecticut; 1948, 1949

Ira F. Wilcox, Farmer and Insurance, Merrow, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

### OVERSEERS

W. W. Hoag, Sherman, Connecticut, 1875, 1876, 1877.

———period between 1st and 2nd State Grange.

C. C. Lord, Cheshire, Connecticut, 1885, 1886, 1887.

J. M. Hubbard, Middletown, Connecticut, 1888, 1889.

Orson S. Wood, Ellington, Connecticut, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895.

G C Beckwith, Nepaug, Connecticut, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899.

I. C. Fanton, Westport, Connecticut, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903.

B. A. Peck, Bristol, Connecticut, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909.

G. A. Vincent, Kent, Connecticut, 1910, 1911.

J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut, 1912., Became Master in 1912 upon death of Master B. A. Peck.

Charles T. Davis, Middletown, Connecticut, 1913, 1914, 1915.

F. E. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut, 1916, 1917.

Allen B. Cook, Middlebury, Connecticut, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.

Minor Ives, South Meriden, Connecticut, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

L. G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.

Frank H. Peet, Kent, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.

Charles M. Adams, Groton, Connecticut, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937. Died in office in 1937.

Sherman K. Ives, Thomaston, Connecticut, 1938, 1939.

Francis E. Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947. Died in office in 1947.

Sidney G. Hall, Norwich, Connecticut, 1947.

Ira F. Wilcox, Merrow, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

Donald K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

### LECTURERS

A. L. Loveland, North Granby, Connecticut, 1875.

N. B. Dibble, Danbury, Connecticut, 1876, 1877.

J. B. Olcott, South Manchester, Connecticut, 1885, 1886, 1887.

Dr. George Austin Bowen, Woodstock, Connecticut, 1888, 1889.

George Hopson, East Wallingford, Connecticut, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895.

Mrs. Estella H. Barnes, Southington, Connecticut, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899.

Frank S. Hopson, Stratford, Connecticut, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903.

L. H. Healey, North Woodstock, Connecticut, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907.

J. H. Putnam, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1908, 1909.

J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut, 1910, 1911.

F. E. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915.

Allen B. Cook, Middlebury, Connecticut, 1916, 1917.

Charles A. Wheeler, Storrs, Connecticut, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

Mrs. R. J. Whitham, Groton, Connecticut, 1926, 1927, 1928. Died in office in 1928.

Mrs. Sarah Curtis, Plainville, Connecticut, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Mrs. Edith Lane, West Hartford, Connecticut, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941.

George B. Higbee, Mystic, Connecticut, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945.

Mrs. Alma Brooks, Torrington, Connecticut, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

## STEWARDS

J. A. Blackman, Hawleyville, Connecticut, 1875.

Alonzo Whiting, West Torrington, Connecticut, 1876-1877.

Earl Cooley, Berlin, Connecticut, 1885.  
N. W. Holcomb, West Simsbury, Connecticut, 1886, 1887.

H. F. Potter, Montowese, Connecticut, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891.

H. C. Dunham, Middletown, Connecticut, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895.

Joel H. Brewer, Hillstown, Connecticut, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899.

J. B. Bliven, Lebanon, Connecticut, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903.

F. P. Johnson, Warren, Connecticut, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909.

Ard Welton, Plymouth, Connecticut, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913.

Walter S. Hine, Derby, Connecticut, 1914, 1915.

F. M. Candee, Naugatuck, Connecticut, 1916, 1917.

Minor Ives, South Meriden, Connecticut, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.

Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

Frank H. Peet, Kent, Connecticut, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.

Charles M. Adams, Groton, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.

Edgar L. Tucker, Shelton, Connecticut, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Harold Kelsey, Middletown, Connecticut, 1938. Died in office in 1938.

Francis E. Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut, 1939.

Harry L. Page, Guilford, Connecticut, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

Sidney G. Hall, Norwich, Connecticut, 1944, 1945, 1946.

Ira F. Wilcox, Merrow, Connecticut, 1947, 1948.

Donald K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

Robert K. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

## ASSISTANT STEWARDS

J. L. Buck, New Milford, Connecticut, 1875

Jay Barnard, Connecticut;  
1876, 1877  
A. P. Smith, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1885,  
1886, 1887

Earl Cooley, Berlin, Connecticut; 1888,  
1889, 1890, 1891

S. C. Lewis, Stratford, Connecticut; 1892,  
1893, 1894, 1895

H. C. C. Miles, Milford, Connecticut;  
1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

Robert W. Andrews, New Britain, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903

H. W. Andrews, Brookfield Center, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907

W. S. Hine, Derby, Connecticut; 1908,  
1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913

F. M. Candee, Naugatuck, Connecticut;  
1914, 1915

Minor Ives, South Meriden, Connecticut;  
1916, 1917

Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921

Charles M. Adams, Groton, Connecticut;  
1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928  
1929

Edgar L. Tucker, Shelton, Connecticut;  
1930, 1931, 1932, 1933

Sherman K. Ives, Thomaston, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937

Harry L. Page, Guilford, Connecticut;  
1938, 1939

Sidney G. Hall, Norwich, Connecticut;  
1940, 1941, 1942, 1943

Ira F. Wilcox, Merrow, Connecticut; 1944,  
1945, 1946

Donald K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut;  
1947, 1948

Robert K. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut; 1948, 1949

Alfred Beckwith, South Windham, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## CHAPLAINS

Jasper A. Phelps, West Suffield, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877

Rev. John Betts, South Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1885, 1886, 1887

Rev. D. B. Hubbard, Little River, Connecticut; 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892,  
1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

Rev. C. H. Smith, Plymouth, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 Rev. F. Countryman, East Haven, Connecticut; 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909  
 Rev. G. F. Goodenough, Northfield, Connecticut; 1910, 1911  
 Rev. J. H. Hoyt, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 Rev. Charles A. Downs, Goodyear, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Rev. Albert S. Woodworth, Plainfield, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

Lewis J. Wells, South Woodstock, Connecticut; 1888, 1889.  
 Henry E. Loomis, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917  
 Ard Welton, Plymouth, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945  
 Ellsworth L. Covell, Andover, Connecticut; 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

### TREASURERS

C. H. Mason, Washington, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877

T. S. Gold, West Cornwall, Connecticut; 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889  
 Norman S. Platt, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923. Died in office in 1923.  
 Darius St. John, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, died in office in 1939  
 Charles H. Curtis Plainville, Connecticut; 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

### SECRETARIES

E. G. Seeley, Roxbury, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877

Arthur Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1885, 1886, 1887

### GATEKEEPERS

W. H. Hill, Redding, Connecticut; 1875  
 J. L. Buck, New Milford, Connecticut; 1876, 1877

George B. Murdock, Meriden, Connecticut; 1885  
 F. P. Davoll, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1886, 1887  
 W. E. Kenyon, New London, Connecticut; 1888, 1889  
 Samuel C. Lewis, Stratford, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 H. C. C. Miles, Milford, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 Henry E. Morse, Jewett City, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899  
 E. H. Wright, Clinton, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
 E. F. Hutchinson, Andover, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909  
 F. M. Candee, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913  
 W. F. Clark, Lyme, Connecticut; 1914,, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927  
 Harold Storrs, Mansfield Center, Connecticut; 1928, 1929  
 Sherman K. Ives, Thomaston, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Harold Kelsey, Middletown, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Sidney Hall, Norwich, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Ira F. Wilcox, Merrow, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943



Donald K. Peck; Litchfield, Connecticut;  
1944, 1945, 1946  
Robert K. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut;  
1947  
Alfred C. Beckwith, South Windham, Connecticut;  
1948, 1949  
Jerome Keech, Southbury, Connecticut;  
1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

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### CERES

Mrs. Harvy Godard, North Granby, Connecticut;  
1875, 1876, 1877

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Mrs. Sherman Kimberly, West Torrington, Connecticut; 1885, 1888, 1889  
Mrs. T. S. Gold, West Cornwall, Connecticut; 1886, 1887.  
Mrs. B. H. Sutcliffe, Plymouth, Connecticut; 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
Mrs. Martha C. Gaylord, Bristol, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899  
Miss Gertrude Bradley, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
Mrs. Nellie M. Cook, Mt. Carmel, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
Mrs. Ida H. McAllister, Saybrook, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
Mrs. Alice L. Potter, Woodstock, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913  
Mrs. Charles E. Burnham, Hampton, Connecticut; 1914, 1915  
Mrs. Maude K. Wheeler, Storrs, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
Mrs. Ruth T. Randall, Bridgewater, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923  
Miss Flora A. York, Westerly, R. I.; 1924, 1925  
Mrs. George T. Hine, Orange, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
Mrs. Lucretia Bailey, East Haven, Connecticut; 1930.  
Mrs. Mabel Church, Willimantic, Conn., 1934, 1935  
Mrs. Helen Daniels, Lyme, Connecticut; 1936, 1937  
Mrs. Rosa Johnson, South Coventry, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
Mrs. Mildred H. Pearl, Hampton, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
Mrs. Mabel H. Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

### POMONAS

Mrs. W. W. Hoag, Sherman, Connecticut;  
1875, 1876, 1877

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Mrs. J. B. Olcott, South Manchester, Connecticut; 1885, 1886, 1887  
Miss Linda Kimball, Ellington, Connecticut; 1888, 1889  
Mrs. Addie S. Hale, South Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
Mrs. N. S. Baldwin, East Meriden, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
Mrs. Mary J. Brooks, Clinton, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899  
Mrs. Sabra M. Kelsey, Haddam, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
Mrs. Carrie A. Eaton, Montowese, Connecticut; 1904, 1905  
Mrs. Addie C. Hyde, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
Mrs. Rose E. Goodale, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
Mrs. E. W. Davis, Collinsville, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
Miss Talulah Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921  
Mrs. Beatrice Pierpont, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925  
Miss Jennie Holton, Ellington, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
Miss Laura M. Pike, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
Mrs. Jennie L. Treat, Oxford, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
Mrs. Alice Convard, Bethlehem, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941  
Mrs. Ada Moore, Falls Village, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
Mrs. Gene Brundage, Danbury, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
Mrs. Frances Gantley, Windsor Locks, Connecticut; 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

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### FLORAS

Mrs. E. G. Seeley, Roxbury, Connecticut;  
1875, 1876, 1877

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Mrs. C. C. Lord, Cheshire, Connecticut;  
1885

Mrs. C. H. Pease, South Windsor, Connecticut; 1886, 1887  
 Mrs. Henry Dunham, Middletown, Connecticut; 1888, 1889  
 Miss Abbie A. Bartholomew, Putnam, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 Mrs. H. F. Potter, Montowese, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 Mrs. Jennie M. Robinson, Webster, Massachusetts; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899  
 Mrs. Maude K. Wheeler, Storrs, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 Mrs. Hattie J. Welton, Plymouth, Connecticut; 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 Mrs. Orra A. Phelps, Salisbury, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
 Mrs. Ursula E. Avery, Ledyard, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913  
 Mrs. Harriet C. Brockett, Clintonville, Connecticut; 1914, 1915.  
 Mrs. Martha G. Allyn, Mystic, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
 Mrs. Walter S. Hine, Orange, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923  
 Mrs. Caroline M. Haines, Pomfret, Connecticut; 1924, 1925  
 Mrs. Edna Kretzmer, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 Mrs. Bessie C. Moshier, Prospect, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Mrs. Anna Bengston, Suffield, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Mrs. Ruth A. Bowen, Abington, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941  
 Mrs. Emeline Willoughby, Bloomfield, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Mrs. Ada Moore, Falls Village, Connecticut; 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

#### LADY ASSISTANT STEWARDS

Mrs. Hugh Mitchelson, Tariffville, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877

Mrs. M. E. Cook, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1885  
 Mrs. Harvy Godard, North Granby, Connecticut; 1886, 1887  
 Mrs. Fred Hawley, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1888, 1889  
 Miss Fannie J. Sperry, Bolton, Connecticut; 1890, 1891

Mrs. E. J. Hempstead, New London, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 Mrs. Flora B. Crandall, Farmington, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899  
 Mrs. Alice L. Potter, Woodstock, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
 Mrs. May K. Taylor, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921  
 Mrs. Harriet C. Brockett, North Haven, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
 Miss Eunice Burch, East Lyme, Connecticut; 1910, 1911  
 Mrs. Robert S. Bailey, Middle Haddam, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 Mrs. Walter S. Hine, Orange, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
 Mrs. Alice Corbit, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927  
 Mrs. Bessie R. Case, Collinsville, Connecticut; 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Mrs. Hazel Young, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939  
 Mrs. Mary Emerson, Old Lyme, Connecticut; 1940, 1941  
 Mrs. Mae Miller, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949  
 Mrs. Gertrude Platt, Brookfield, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

Hugh Mitchelson, Tariffville, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877  
 N. B. Dibble, Danbury, Connecticut; 1875, 1876, 1877  
 L. C. Viets, East Granby, Connecticut; 1875  
 H. B. Case, Bloomfield, Connecticut; 1875  
 A. H. Ellsworth, Windsor, Connecticut; 1875  
 O. C. Gates, Windsor, Connecticut; 1875  
 W. W. Hoag, Sherman, Connecticut; 1875  
 W. H. Hill, Redding, Connecticut; 1875  
 Alonzo Whiting, West Torrington, Connecticut; 1876, 1877

C. C. Lord, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1885  
 J. H. Tucker, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1885, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914 1915, 1916, 1917

J. H. Hale, South Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1885, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908

B. C. Patterson, Torrington, Connecticut; 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

W. F. Andross, East Hartford, Connecticut; 1886, 1887

Martin W. Frisbie, Southington, Connecticut; 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889

E. S. Hough, Poquonock, Connecticut; 1888, 1889, 1890

Stephen O. Bowen, Eastford, Connecticut; 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895

Richard Davis, Middletown, Connecticut; 1891

F. M. Bartholomew, East Wallingford, Connecticut; 1892, 1893

O. S. Wood, Ellington, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1908, 1909, 1910

H. F. Potter, North Haven, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906

P. F. Sibley, Danielson, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907

J. H. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut; 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915

L. H. Healey, North Woodstock, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925

J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut; 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933

Charles T. Davis, Middletown, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929

Frank E. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, died in office in 1923

Allen B. Cook, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931

Minor Ives, South Meriden, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941

William Templeton, Kent, Connecticut; 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937

Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939

Frank H. Peet, Kent, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945

Edgar L. Tucker, Shelton, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, died in office in 1943

Emerson J. Leonard, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947

Sherman K. Ives, Thomaston, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949

A. Ward Spaulding, Suffield, Connecticut; 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

Harry L. Page, Guilford, Connecticut; 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

Sidney G. Hall, Norwich, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## GENERAL DEPUTIES

Sherman Kimberly, Torrington, Connecticut; 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888

J. M. Hubbard, Middletown, Connecticut; 1889

J. H. Hale, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1890, 1891

E. S. Hough, Poquonock, Connecticut; 1890

G. C. Beckwith, Nepaug, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895

J. H. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

During the following period, no General Deputy was designated, the State Master acting as General Deputy between 1911-1918.

B. A. Peck, Bristol, Connecticut; 1908, 1909

O. S. Wood, Ellington, Connecticut; 1910, 1911

G. A. Hopson, East Wallingford, Connecticut; 1908, 1909

B. C. Patterson, Torrington, Connecticut; 1910, 1911

W. H. Baron, Danielson, Connecticut; 1908, 1909

J. H. Hale, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1910, 1911

The above practice was again carried on by the State Masters acting as General Deputy.

Allen Cook, Middlebury, Connecticut; 1918, 1919

Howard D. Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1920, 1921

Frank H. Peet, Kent, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925

Myron N. Case, Portland, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929



Arthur Greene, Middlebury, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Floyd Laird, Sharon, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Ira F. Wilcox, Merrow, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Harold A. Brundage, Danbury, Connecticut; 1940, 1941  
 Donald K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
 Earle Newton, Rocky Hill, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Arnold Manning, Franklin, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 G. Raymond Johnson, South Coventry, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

#### POMONA DEPUTIES

Carl R. Lane, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1932, 1933  
 J. D. Coffill, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Emerson J. Leonard, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 G. Harold Humphrey, Bloomfield, Connecticut; 1940, 1941  
 LeRoy Newton, South Kent, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
 Robert K. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Frank Platt, Brookfield, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Ellsworth E. Weeks, Storrs, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Harold Young, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951  
 Bert Kotches, Stamford, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953

#### STATE DEPUTIES

The only National Grange Deputy to work in Connecticut that was a Connecticut Patron was Sherman Kimberly, a member of Hope Grange in Torrington, Connecticut. He worked as a National Deputy between 1876 and 1886. He also served as a Connecticut State Grange Deputy 1886, 1887.

C. C. Lord, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1886, 1887  
 J. H. Hale, Glastonbury, Connecticut; 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891  
 Earle Cooley, Berlin, Connecticut; 1887  
 J. Hubbard, Middletown, Connecticut; 1887, 1888, 1889  
 Dr. George A. Bowen, North Woodstock, Connecticut; 1887  
 E. H. Lathrop, Vernon, Connecticut; 1887  
 Charles Olmstead, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1887

Then followed a period whereby the Deputies were appointed by Counties:

#### HARTFORD COUNTY

C. R. Risley, East Hartford, Connecticut; 1889  
 J. B. Noble, East Windsor Hill, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 Joel H. Brewer, Hillstown, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 C. E. Adams, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY

George A. Hopson, East Wallingford, Connecticut; 1889  
 John H. Francis, East Meriden, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 Hubert F. Potter, Montowese, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 George H. Bartlett, North Guilford, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

#### MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Robert W. Bingham, East Haddam, Connecticut; 1889  
 H. C. Dunham, Middletown, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 Frederick C. Pratt, Deep River, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894  
 George H. Brooks, Clinton, Connecticut; 1895  
 Samuel A. Chalker, Saybrook, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899



## NEW LONDON COUNTY

J. H. Tucker, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891  
 Henry W. Morse, Jewett City, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 E. J. Hempstead, New London, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

## WINDHAM COUNTY

George T. Sanger, Canterbury, Connecticut; 1889  
 W. H. Hammond, Elliott, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 N. G. Williams, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 Lewis J. Wells, Woodstock, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

## TOLLAND COUNTY

Orson S. Wood, Ellington, Connecticut; 1889  
 William C. White, Andover, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 Charles B. Reed, Rockville, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 J. M. Larned, Stafford Springs, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY

Fred M. Hawley, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1889  
 Samuel C. Lewis, Stratford, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 James H. Blakeman, Oronoque, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895  
 Simon C. Bradley, Greenfield Hill, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

## LITCHFIELD COUNTY

A. F. Minor, Torrington, Connecticut; 1887, 1888, 1889  
 G. C. Beckwith, Nepaug, Connecticut; 1890, 1891  
 L. G. Humphreyville, Northfield, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895

L. W. Whittlesey, Morris, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899

Pomona Districts having been set up, from then on Deputies were assigned to certain Pomona Districts as follows:

## CENTRAL POMONA No. 1

M. M. Frisbie, Southington, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 B. A. Peck, Bristol, Connecticut; 1902, 1903  
 H. S. Blake, New Britain, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 C. H. Davis, Middletown, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
 Allen Cook, Farmington, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912  
 John Francis, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1913, 1914, 1915  
 Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 Sherman Eddy, Avon, Connecticut; 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919  
 Myron N. Case, Portland, Connecticut; 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925  
 E. B. Adams, Berlin, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 Carl R. Lane, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1930, 1931  
 Harold Kelsey, Middletown, Connecticut; 1932, 1933  
 Francis Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 E. Ernest Yale, Westfield, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Earle C. Newton, Rocky Hill, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Cleveland Stannard, Durham, Connecticut; 1944  
 Ralph Lyman, Portland, Connecticut; 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Frank Brown, Southington, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Henry Olsen, Rockfall, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## QUINEBAUG POMONA No. 2

P. H. Sibley, Danielson, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 L. H. Healey, North Woodstock, Connecticut; 1902, 1903

C. H. Potter, North Woodstock, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 C. B. Pomeroy, Jr., Willimantic, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
 Everett E. Brown, Pomfret, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917  
 Frank Haines, Pomfret, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922  
 Fred Rosebrooks, Willimantic, Connecticut; 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927  
 Clayton Peckham, East Woodstock, Connecticut; 1928, 1929  
 John Wetherbee, Hampton, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Milo Appley, Canterbury, Connecticut; 1934, 1935  
 E. E. Weeks, Storrs, Connecticut; 1936, 1937  
 George E. Clark, Thompson, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 William Pearl, Hampton, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Alfred C. Beckwith, South Windham, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Robert D. Payne, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Ralph Bunnell, Eastford, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

#### EAST CENTRAL POMONA No. 3

C. H. Brainard, Thompsonville, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 Walter Foster, Wapping, Connecticut; 1902, 1903  
 Andrew Kingsbury, Rockville, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 H. G. Phelps, Andover, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
 H. D. Sykes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
 C. W. Bradley, Rockville, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 W. E. Price, Warehouse Point, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 R. A. Sikes, Ellington, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
 Luther Skinner, Vernon, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921  
 Harry J. Brewer, Hillstown, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925  
 Harold Hansen, Mansfield Depot, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929

L. E. Stoughton, Warehouse Point, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 Ira F. Wilcox, Eagleville, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Ellsworth Covell, Andover, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Donald Woodward, Columbia, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Wilbur T. Little, Manchester, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 G. Raymond Johnson, South Coventry, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 John Griswold, Somers, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

#### MOUNTAIN COUNTY POMONA No. 4

H. S. Morehouse, Sharon Valley, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
 J. H. Putnam, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 Tunis Goodenough, Winchester, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
 Charles H. Twing, Morris, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 W. E. Page, Torrington, Connecticut; 1916, 1917  
 William F. Kirchberger, Morris, Connecticut; 1918  
 E. J. Busby, Riverton, Connecticut; 1919, 1920, 1921  
 Burton N. Bristol, Collinsville, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925  
 Harvey Ford, Winchester, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 Joseph D. Coffill, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 A. F. Bidwell, Canton Center, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Kingsley Beecher, Winsted, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 D. K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1940, 1941  
 Ernest W. Skilton, Morris, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
 Frederick Brooks, Torrington, Connecticut; 1944, 1945  
 Harold C. Twing, Morris, Connecticut; 1946, 1947  
 Walter Zeiner, Terryville, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Raymond Thuillard, Torrington, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## NEW HAVEN COUNTY POMONA

## No. 5

Dennis Fenn, Milford, Connecticut; 1900, 1901  
 George A. Hopson, East Wallingford, Connecticut; 1902, 1903  
 W. S. Hine, Derby, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907  
 E. A. Rose, Branford, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
 W. H. Baldwin, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 H. J. Brockett, Clintonville, Connecticut; 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919  
 Paul Hotchkiss, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923  
 George Hine, Orange, Connecticut; 1924, 1925  
 Emerson J. Leonard, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 H. L. Page, Guilford, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934  
 J. H. R. Bishop, Cheshire, Connecticut; 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Sidney Bailey, East Haven, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Ralph Clark, West Cheshire, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Robert Bartlett, North Haven, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946  
 George H. Andrews, Mt. Carmel Connecticut; 1947  
 Harold B. Young, Wallingford, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Donald Beard, Milford, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951  
 Kenneth Hale, West Cheshire, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953

## NEW LONDON COUNTY POMONA

## No. 6

E. J. Hempstead, New London, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903  
 C. E. Staples, Colechester, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911  
 Irving E. Crouch, Groton, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915  
 Fred N. Taylor, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1916, 1917, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925

E. Frank White, North Stonington, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921  
 J. P. Hollowell, Norwich, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929  
 Frank A. Mell, Lisbon, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933  
 S. G. Hall, Norwich, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Frederic Allyn, Mystic, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 George Higbee, Mystic, Connecticut; 1940, 1941  
 Walter Hyde, Jewett City, Connecticut; 1942, 1943.  
 A. P. Manning, Franklin, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.  
 Henry Slate, 1948, 1949, New London, Connecticut.  
 Donald Grant, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, Lebanon, Connecticut.

## EXCELSIOR POMONA GRANGE No. 7

O. D. Estey, Watertown, Connecticut; 1900, 1901.  
 F. M. Candee, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909.  
 D. B. Hotchkiss, Prospect, Connecticut; 1902, 1903.  
 W. L. Pierpont, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915.  
 Charles L. Pierpont, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1916, 1917.  
 Arthur F. Greene, Middlebury, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922.  
 Arthur Copeland, Watertown, Connecticut; 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927.  
 Harold Perry, Union City, Connecticut; 1928, 1929.  
 J. Banks, Bethlehem, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.  
 J. Edward Coer, Southbury, Connecticut; 1934, 1935.  
 Wilford Megin, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1936, 1937.  
 William S. Ford, Washington Depot, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.  
 Edward Rowland, Seymour, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.  
 William G. Brush, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.  
 Jerome Keech, Southbury, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.  
 John Davies, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.



## SEA VIEW POMONA No. 8

Frederick Kelsey, Higganum, Connecticut; 1900, 1901.  
 Samuel Webb, Chester, Connecticut; 1902, 1903.  
 E. H. Wright, Clinton, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907.  
 E. B. Lynde, Chester, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911.  
 E. W. Crocker, East Haddam, Connecticut; 1912, 1913.  
 Albert Buell, Clinton, Connecticut; 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917.  
 Robert S. Bailey, East Hampton, Connecticut; 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.  
 Leonard J. Seldon, East Hampton, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.  
 George H. Gelston, East Haddam, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.  
 Myron Miller, Clinton, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.  
 Stephen Hanford, Old Saybrook, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.  
 Theodore White, Clinton, Connecticut; 1940, 1941.  
 George Emerson, South Lyme, Connecticut; 1942, 1943.  
 Paul Hoxie, Westbrook, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.  
 William Sutton, Lyme, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.  
 George Comer, East Haddam, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951.  
 Henry Kulisch, Madison, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953.

## FAIRFIELD COUNTY POMONA No. 9

H. W. Andrews, Brookfield, Connecticut; 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903.  
 W. J. Wood, Westport, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906.  
 Joseph Adams, Westport, Connecticut, 1907.  
 J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut; 1908, 1909.  
 F. E. Blakeman, Ornoque, Connecticut; 1910, 1911.  
 Arthur Northrup, Ridgefield, Connecticut; 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916.  
 Clarence Shipman, Norwalk, Connecticut; 1917, 1918.  
 A. B. Brundage, Danbury, Connecticut; 1919, 1920, 1921.

Charles A. Lacey, Monroe, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.  
 Edgar L. Tucker, Shelton, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.  
 Willard S. Gillett, Bridgeport, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.  
 Willis Arndt, Newtown, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.  
 Harold A. Brundage, Danbury, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.  
 Robert K. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.  
 Percy Davenport, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.  
 Nelson Secor, Bethel, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.  
 G. Wilbur Raymond, Darien, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

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B. H. Johnson, Winsted, Connecticut; 1903.  
 H. S. Morehouse, Sharon Valley, Connecticut; 1904, 1905.  
 Gilbert Vincent, Kent, Connecticut; 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909.  
 H. W. Treat, Bridgewater, Connecticut; 1910, 1911.  
 George Abbott, New Milford, Connecticut; 1912, 1913.  
 William M. Curtiss, Bridgewater, Connecticut; 1914, 1915.  
 Frank H. Peet, Kent, Connecticut; 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921.  
 Minor P. Rogers, West Cornwall, Connecticut; 1922, 1923.  
 Bruce Randall, Bridgewater, Connecticut; 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927.  
 Floyd Laird, Sharon, Connecticut; 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.  
 Charles J. Osborn, New Milford, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.  
 Merton Roebling, New Milford, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.  
 LeRoy S. Newton, South Kent, Connecticut; 1940, 1941.  
 Arthur Tanner, New Preston, Connecticut; 1942, 1943.  
 Clarence Probst, New Milford, Connecticut; 1944.  
 Elmer Hosier, Lakeville, Connecticut; 1945, 1946.

Winton Rodgers, Falls Village, Connecticut; 1947, 1948, 1949.  
 Allyn Perkins, Cornwall Bridge, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

## FARMINGTON VALLEY POMONA

### No. 11

Charles Clifford, Farmington, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937  
 G. Harold Humphrey, Bloomfield, Connecticut; 1938, 1939  
 Gerald Hayes, North Granby, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Henry McLaughlin, Avon, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Richard Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 E. Newton Peck, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## JUVENILE SUPERINTENDENTS

Ina Goldspink, Shelton, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940  
 Florence Cooley, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Flora Skilton, Morris, Connecticut; 1944  
 Mabel Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1944  
 Hazel Newton, South Kent Connecticut; 1945, 1946  
 Maida Lyman, Portland, Connecticut; 1947, 1948, 1949  
 Carrie Meyer, Torrington, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953

## JUVENILE DEPUTIES

Nellie C. Cleveland, Hampton, Connecticut; 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912  
 Bertha Morehouse, Sharon Valley, Connecticut; 1907  
 P. B. Sibley, Danielson, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912, 1913  
 Mrs. W. H. Benham, Highwood, Connecticut; 1908, 1909  
 Susie Williams, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920

Period of inactivity in Juvenile work in Connecticut.

Ina Goldspink, Shelton, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940  
 Jessie Brown, Warrenville, Connecticut; 1932, 1933, 1934  
 Doris Hutchinson, Andover, Connecticut; 1935, 1936, 1937  
 Florence Cooley, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943  
 Helen Weeks, Storrs, Connecticut; 1938, 1939, 1940  
 Sarah Higbee, Mystic, Connecticut; 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945  
 Flora B. Skilton, Morris, Connecticut; 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944  
 Hazel Goodrich, Plainville, Connecticut; 1942  
 Mildred H. Pearl, Hampton, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
 Laura M. Loomis, Manchester, Connecticut; 1942, 1943  
 Nellie Hooghkirk, Branford, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Mary Emerson, South Lyme, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 May P. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945  
 Hazel Newton, South Kent, Connecticut; 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946  
 Mabel K. Hayes, North Granby, Connecticut; 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944  
 Mabel Roberts, Wethersfield, Connecticut; 1944  
 Gretchen Beckwith, South Windham, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Beatrice A. Little, Manchester, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Alma A. Brooks, Torrington, Connecticut; 1944, 1945  
 Ada L. Hale, West Cheshire, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950  
 Anna Brush, Naugatuck, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Ruth Hoxie, Westbrook, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947  
 Florence Probst, New Milford, Connecticut; 1944, 1945  
 Maida Lyman, Portland, Connecticut; 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948  
 Grace Manning, Franklin, Connecticut; 1946, 1947  
 Mary A. Keating, Suffield, Connecticut; 1946, 1947  
 Lillian B. Twing, Morris, Connecticut; 1946, 1947

Ada Moore, Falls Village, Connecticut; 1947  
 Beatrice Hunter, Danielson, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Rosa Johnson, South Coventry, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Edith Zeiner, Terryville, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Edith Slate, New London, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Emma Keech, Southbury, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Mary Sutton, Lyme, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Anna Banks, Redding, Connecticut; 1948  
 Clara Lamb, Sharon, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Bertha Denniss, Plainville, Connecticut; 1948, 1949  
 Alma Clark, Greenfield Hill, Connecticut; 1949  
 Evelyn Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut; 1949  
 Mildred Bell, Southington, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Frances Tanner, Moosup, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Cynthia Sudbury, Hazardsville, Connecticut; 1950  
 Myrtle Thuillard, Torrington, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Doris Mansfield, Mystic, Connecticut; 1950, 1951  
 Edna Davies, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Dorothy Lundgren, Higganum, Connecticut; 1950  
 Dorothy Kasperait, Stephney Depot, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Bertha Mortenson, Falls Village, Connecticut; 1950, 1951  
 Mildred Peck, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953  
 Margaret Yeomans, Andover, Connecticut; 1951  
 Hazel Anderson, Manchester, Connecticut; 1952, 1953  
 Elizabeth Grant, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1952, 1953  
 Marjorie Tanner, New Preston, Connecticut; 1952, 1953

### WOMEN'S WORK

Mary Woodward, Leedsville, N. Y.; 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893,

Linda Kimball, Ellington, Connecticut; 1890, 1891.

Mary Hempstead, New London, Connecticut; 1890, 1891.

Estelle Barnes, Southington, Connecticut; 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895.

E. M. Loomis, South Manchester, Connecticut; 1892.

Mrs. Oscar Robinson, Webster, Mass.; 1893, 1894, 1895.

Bertha Averill, Washington Depot, Connecticut; 1894, 1895.

Fannie Webster, Putnam Heights, Connecticut; 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900.

Eve Byam, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1896, 1897.

Adelaide Sperry, Bolton, Connecticut; 1896, 1897.

Martha Lewis, North Haven, Connecticut; 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902.

Mrs. Charles S. Hyde, Brooklyn, Connecticut; 1903.

Mary W. Phipps, Prospect, Connecticut; 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907.

Mrs. Darius St. John, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911.

Edith Sutcliffe, Plymouth, Connecticut; 1912, 1913.

Maud Bliss, Norwich, Connecticut; 1914, 1915.

Mrs. M. J. Burnham, Hampton, Connecticut; 1916, 1917.

Evelyn Hall, Plainfield, Connecticut; 1918.

This division of the State Grange work was given the name of Home Economics Committee at this time and has since been known as that department.

### HOME ECONOMIC COMMITTEES

Mrs. Wallace N. Mitchell, Newtown, Connecticut; 1919, 1920, 1921.

Maud Bliss, Norwich, Connecticut; 1919, 1920, 1921.

Hattie Tolles, Southington, Connecticut; 1919, 1920, 1921.

Mrs. Nathan Meigs, Madison, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

Jessie M. Griswold, Rocky Hill, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

Florence C. Clark, Middlebury, Connecticut; 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.



Caroline Haines, Pomfret, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1934, 1935.

Beatrice Pierpont, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.

Flora York, Westerly, R. I.; 1926, 1927.

Ida Richardson, Norwich, Connecticut; 1928, 1929.

Edith Skinner, Vernon, Connecticut; 1930, 1931.

Jessie Hine, Orange, Connecticut; 1930, 1931.

May Taylor, Lebanon, Connecticut; 1930, 1931.

Edith Haven, Coventry, Connecticut; 1932, 1933.

Helen Daniels, Lyme, Connecticut; 1932, 1933.

Jennie Treat, Seymour, Connecticut; 1932, 1933.

Alice Rowland, Ridgefield, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Edith Hoxie, Westbrook, Connecticut; 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Mrs. Charles Clark, Granby, Connecticut; 1936, 1937.

Dorothy Gillett, Bridgeport, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.

Lucy Birdsall, Somers, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.

Florence Stark, Chester, Connecticut; 1938, 1939.

Lucie M. Adams, Groton, Connecticut; 1940, 1941.

Laura Loomis, Manchester, Connecticut; 1940, 1941.

Ellen Norton, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

Alta F. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut; 1942, 1943.

Bertha Humphrey, Bloomfield, Connecticut; 1942, 1943.

Dorothy B. Robbins, Westbrook, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

Effie H. Davenport, New Canaan, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

Lena I. Wetherbee, Hampton, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

Amy Cowles, Norwich, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.

Dorothy Kasperait, Stepney Depot, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.

Ora Gaylord, West Hartford, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.

Helen Provent, Torrington, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951.

Althea Deion, Branford, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951.

Esther Tanner, Moosop, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951.

Sally Bernier, Waterbury, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953.

Elizabeth Stowell, Newington, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953.

Georgianna Roessler, Norwich, Connecticut; 1951, 1952, 1953.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEES

I. C. Fanton, Westport, Connecticut, 1909, 1910.

C. H. Potter, Woodstock, Connecticut, 1909, 1910.

E. W. Bigelow, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1910, 1911, 1912.

M. L. Coleman, Seymour, Conn., 1910, 1911, 1912.

G. Warren Davis, Norwich, Connecticut, 1910, 1911, 1912.

Frederick Kelsey, Higganum, Connecticut, 1913, 1914, 1915.

C. E. Staples, Colchester, Connecticut, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916.

Ard Welton, Plymouth, Connecticut, 1915, 1916, 1917.

W. O. Rogers, Norwich, Connecticut, 1918.

H. D. Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut, 1917, 1918.

H. C. Dunham, Middletown, Connecticut, 1909, 1910, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918.

#### AUDITING COMMITTEES

Hubert S. Blake, New Britain, Connecticut, 1919, 1920.

Irving E. Crouch, Groton, Connecticut, 1919, 1920.

Howard D. Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut, 1920.

Robert Sinclair, Stepney Depot, Connecticut, 1921, 1922.

H. C. Dunham, Middletown, Connecticut, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922.

J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut, 1923.

Sherman Eddy, Avon, Connecticut, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925.

J. Warren Stark, Lyme, Connecticut, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929.

R. Allen Sikes, Ellington, Connecticut, 1923, 1924, 1925.

Leonard J. Seldon, East Hampton, Connecticut, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1938, 1939.

Claude W. Stevens, Berlin, Connecticut, 1926, 1927, 1928.

Myron Bishop, Bristol, Connecticut, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940.

Frank K. Haines, Pomfret Center, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.

R. W. Miller, Bridgeport, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.

Irving M. Wickham, Manchester, Connecticut, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Earle Cooley, Waterbury, Connecticut, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937.

Albert Wilcoxson, Stratford, Connecticut, 1938, 1939.

William Ford, Washington Depot, Connecticut, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

Frederic B. Allyn, Ledyard, Connecticut, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

Donald K. Peck, Litchfield, Connecticut, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

Willis F. Arndt, Newtown, Connecticut, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

John Wetherbee, Hampton, Connecticut, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949.

Henry McLaughlin, Avon, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

George K. Howe, Waterbury, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

Walter A. Hyde, Jewett City, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

Irving B. Millen, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

George Emerson, South Lyme, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

### LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

B. C. Patterson, Torrington, Connecticut, 1918, 1919.

Howard D. Sikes, Suffield, Connecticut, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928.

Everett E. Brown, Central Village, Connecticut, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924.

Frederick D. Duffy, West Hartford, Conn., 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926.

Albert P. Marsh, New Britain, Connecticut, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933.

Edwin B. Adams, Berlin, Connecticut, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931.

H. O. Daniels, Middletown, Connecticut, 1929.

William M. Curtiss, Bridgewater, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1949, 1950. Died in office in 1950.

A. Ward Spaulding, Suffield, Connecticut, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

J. Arthur Sherwood Easton, Connecticut, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939.

Floyd A. Laird, Sharon, Connecticut, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945.

Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut, 1944, 1945, 1946.

J. William Steadman, Killingworth, Connecticut, 1946, 1947, 1948.

Frederic B. Allyn, Ledyard, Connecticut, 1947, 1948, 1949.

Emerson J. Leonard, Wallingford, Connecticut, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

Arnold Manning, Franklin, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

Sherman K. Ives, Thomaston, Connecticut, 1951, 1952, 1953.

### PUBLICITY COMMITTEES

This consists of appointed members, the State Lecturer and the State Secretary.

Harold B. Waldo, Glastonbury, Connecticut, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951. Died in office in 1951.

Mrs. Emory P. Sanford, Redding, Connecticut, 1921, 1922, 1923.

Carol Hutchinson, Hebron, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

Charles L. Normand, Fairfield, Connecticut, 1948, 1949.

Thomas Costello, New Preston, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.



Stephen Potwin, Warehouse Point, Connecticut, 1950, 1951, 1952. Died in office in 1952.

Alexander Aitkins, Middletown, Connecticut, 1952, 1953-

Perry A. Lathrop, Rockville, Connecticut, 1953-

### TAXATION COMMITTEES

Levi M. Reed, Union, Connecticut, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915.

George C. Beckwith, New Hartford, Connecticut, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915.

J. N. Barnes, Wallingford, Connecticut, 1911, 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915.

S. Howard Peckham, Woodstock, Connecticut, 1928, 1929.

George L. Creelman, Suffield, Connecticut, 1929.

William E. Templeton, Kent, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934.

Henry F. Fletcher, Hazardville, Connecticut, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934.

J. Warren Stark, Lyme, Connecticut, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934.

John Wetherbee, Hampton, Connecticut, 1935, 1936, 1938, 1939.

J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton, Connecticut, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939.

Ewart Healey, North Woodstock, Connecticut, 1940, 1941.

Merton Roebing, New Milford, Connecticut, 1940, 1941.

Percy Davenport, New Canaan, Connecticut, 1940, 1941.

Mrs. Mary A. Hills, Wapping, Connecticut, 1942, 1943.

J. William Steadman, Killingworth, Connecticut, 1942, 1943.

Harold A. Brundage, Danbury, Connecticut, 1942, 1943.

Theodore L. White, Clinton, Connecticut, 1944, 1945.

Carl R. Lane, West Hartford, Connecticut, 1944, 1945.

A. Ward Spaulding, Suffield, Connecticut, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1944, 1945.

Frederic Allyn, Ledyard, Connecticut, 1946.

Oliver L. Stoughton, West Suffield, Connecticut, 1947.

Harold Beiseigel, East River, Connecticut, 1946, 1947.

Fred A. Bernklow, Putnam, Connecticut, 1946, 1947.

E. Newton Peck, West Hartford, Connecticut, 1947.

State Master Sidney Hall had no Taxation Committee 1948, 1949.

Gerald Hayes, North Granby, Connecticut, 1949, 1950, 1951.

Daniel Hatfield, Deep River, Connecticut, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953. Died in office in 1953.

Ralph Ingells, Brooklyn, Connecticut, 1952, 1953-

William Ford, Washington Depot, Connecticut, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953-

### PIANISTS

Before 1930, various people acted as pianist at the State Grange Sessions without actually being named in the Journals. After 1930, we find the following:

Mrs. Grace Carley, Southington, Connecticut; 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943.

Mrs. Eva Spencer, Guilford, Connecticut; 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947.

Mrs. Bernice Allyn, Ledyard, Connecticut; 1948, 1949.

Mrs. Elsie Miller, Rockville, Connecticut; 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953.

## POMONA GRANGES

The Pomona Grange is the Legislative Branch of Our Order. It is the Fifth Degree and is known as the Degree of Pomona.

The original Constitution and By-Laws for Pomona Granges was drawn up on December 9, 1886 and are still much the same today as when drawn, as to officers, membership, fees, dues, meetings, demits, representation, jurisdiction, restrictions and discipline.

Pomona District closely followed County Lines largely in the early history of the Connecticut Granges. The third annual session of the Second State Grange outlined clearly the Pomona Jurisdictions of that date. Later by several votes, these jurisdictions were sub-divided into smaller units, until today we have eleven Pomona Districts (1953).

The following are the brief histories of the eleven existing Pomonas of today:

The following are the Pomona Granges in Connecticut:

Central Pomona No. 1  
 Quinebaug Pomona No. 2  
 East Central Pomona No. 3  
 Mountain County Pomona No. 4  
 New Haven County Pomona No. 5  
 New London County Pomona No. 6  
 Excelsior Pomona No. 7  
 Sea View Pomona No. 8  
 Fairfield County Pomona No. 9  
 Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10  
 Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11

## CENTRAL POMONA GRANGE No. 1

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from its location in the State.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: November 30, 1886, with 130 Charter Meembers.  
 Place of Organization: Berlin, Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,262.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 16.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Berlin #24	Durham #57
Union #25	Middlefield #63
Meriden #29	Cromwell #67
Burritt #39	East Hampton #109
Mattabeset #42	Wethersfield #114
Newington #44	Rocky Hill #115
Westfield #50	Bristol #116
Plainville #54	Hemlock #182

Halls: 9 owned or have life use of: 7  
 leased or rented.

QUINEBAUG POMONA GRANGE  
No. 2

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from the Indians. The area in and around Putnam was the Indian name "Quinebaug."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: June 6, 1887, with 107 Charter Members.  
 Place of Organization: Pomfret, Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,513.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 17.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Little River #36	Ekonk #89
Senexet #40	Ashford #90
Brooklyn #43	Putnam #97
Wolf Den #61	Killingly #112
Mansfield #64	Highland #113
Quinnatisset #65	Plainfield #140
Natchaug #68	Echo #180
Shetucket #69	Obwebetuck #206
Canterbury #70	

Halls: 12 owned or have life use of: 5  
 leased or rented.

EAST CENTRAL POMONA GRANGE  
No. 3

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from its location in the State.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Depeuty Earl Cooley.  
 Organized on: September 7, 1887, with  
 144 Charter Members.  
 Place of Organization: Manchester, Con-  
 necticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,139.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 19.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Stafford #1	Andover #76
Glastonbury #26	Hillstown #87
Wapping #30	East Windsor #94
Manchester #31	Somers #105
East Hartford #37	Hebron #111
Ellington #46	Good Will #127
Bolton #47	Columbia #131
Tolland #51	Enfield #151
Vernon #52	Marlborough #205
Coventry #75	

Halls: 16 owned or have life use of: 3  
 leased or rented.

#### MOUNTAIN COUNTY POMONA GRANGE No. 4

The name of this Pomona Grange was  
 taken from the rugged terrain of the  
 section of the State where it was located.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: February 6, 1888, with 80  
 Charter Members.  
 Place of Organization: Nepaug (New  
 Hartford), Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,068.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 14.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Hope #20	Beacon #118
Harwinton #45	Morris #119
Whigville #48	Goshen #143
Eureka #62	Riverton #169
Plymouth #72	Torrington #174
Winchester #74	Victory #189
Litchfield #107	Laurel #201

Halls: 13 owned or have life use of: 1  
 leased or rented.

#### NEW HAVEN COUNTY POMONA GRANGE No. 5

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the County which it covered.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Deputy George A. Hop-  
 son.  
 Organized on: Deceember 4, 1888, with  
 165 Charter Members.  
 Place of Organization: Wallingford, Con-  
 necticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,346.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 12.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Cheshire #23	Foxon #84
Wallingford #33	Seymour #91
North Haven #35	Hamden #99
Indian River #73	Woodbridge #108
Guilford #81	Bethany #188
Totoket #83	Branford #200

Halls: 6 owned or have life use of: 6  
 leased or rented.

#### NEW LONDON COUNTY POMONA GRANGE No. 6

The name of this Pomona Grange was  
 taken from the County which it covered.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.  
 Organized on: January 10, 1890, with 87  
 Charter Members.  
 Place of Organization: Norwich, Con-  
 necticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 1,359.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 16.  
 Subordinate Granges:

Lebanon #21	Ledyard #167
Konomoc #41	Stonington #168
Colchester #78	Mystic #171
Pachaug #96	Norwich #172
Preston City #110	Groton #176
No. Stonington #138	Franklin #184
Bozrah #161	Lisbon #195
Salem #166	Hanover #200

Halls: 10 owned or have life use of: 6  
 leased or rented.



**EXCELSIOR POMONA GRANGE No. 7**

The name of this Pomona Grange means Higher or Ever Upward.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy George C. Beckwith.

Organized on: October 22, 1891, with 188 Charter Members.

Place of Organization: Watertown, Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 1,065.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 12.  
Subordinate Granges:

Roxbury #7	Middlebury #139
Washington #11	Rock Rimmon #142
Mad River #71	Prospect #144
Beacon Valley #103	Wolcott #173
Bethlehem #121	Pomperaug #185
Watertown #122	Oxford #194

Halls: 9 owned or have life use of: 3  
leased or rented.

**SEA VIEW POMONA GRANGE No. 8**

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from the idea that most of the Granges were in Towns bordering on the Sound, or within sight of it.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy Hubert F. Potter.

Organized on: March 24, 1892, with 178 Charter Members.

Place of Organization: Killingworth, Connecticut.

January 1, 1943, membership, 773.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction 12.  
Subordinate Granges:

East Haddam #56	Lyme #147
Killingworth #66	Chester #158
Clinton #77	Old Lyme #162
Madison #120	Haddam Neck #177
Westbrook #123	Old Saybrook #198
Higginum #124	Pettipaug #203

Halls: 7 owned or have life use of: 5  
leased or rented.

**FAIRFIELD COUNTY POMONA GRANGE No. 9**

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from the County which it covered.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.

Organized on: February 20, 1895, with 228 Charter Members.

Place of Organization: Stratford, Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 1,042.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 16.  
Subordinate Granges:

Redding #15	Rippowam #145
New Canaan #38	Norfield #146
Housatonic #79	Easton #149
Pohtatuck #129	Cannon #152
Harmony #92	Danbury #156
Farmill River #130	Ridgefield #165
Greenfield Hill #133	Shelton #186
Trumbull #134	Pokono #191

Halls: 12 owned or have life use of: 4  
leased or rented.

**HOUSATONIC VALLEY POMONA GRANGE No. 10**

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from the Connecticut portion of the upper Housatonic Valley which embraces the Towns where the Granges are located in this Pomona.

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.

Organized by: State Overseer Iverson C. Fenton.

Organized on: June 17, 1902, with 112 Charter Members.

Place of Organization: Cornwall Bridge, Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 703.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 11.  
Subordinate Granges:

Cornwall #32	Kent #154
Webetuck #86	Salisbury #159
Taghannuck #100	Wemanesa #170
Wichita #132	Metichewan #190
Silver Lake #135	Falls Village #204
Bridgewater #153	

Halls: 7 owned or have life use of: 4  
leased or rented.

**FARMINGTON VALLEY POMONA  
GRANGE No. 11**

The name of this Pomona Grange was taken from the Farmington River that flows through this locality.

Organized under S.M. Louis G. Tolles.  
Organized by: Deputy Carl R. Lane.  
Organized on: April 22, 1933, with 341  
Charter Members.

Place of Organization: Avon, Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 1,101.

Number of Granges in Jurisdiction: 12.  
Subordinate Granges:

Windsor #2	Avon #179
Granby #5	Simsbury #197
Tunxis #13	West Suffield #199
Suffield #27	Conn. River #207
Cawasa #34	Cherry Brook #210
Farmington #49	Spoonville #211
West Hartford #58	

Halls: 5 owned or have life use of: 8  
leased or rented.

## SUBORDINATE GRANGES IN THE STATE OF CONNECTICUT

The Subordinate Granges are the local units in the Towns and are the first four Degrees of our Order. The First Degree is the Laborer and Maid Degree; The Second Degree is the Cultivator and Shepherdess Degree; The Third Degree is the Harvester and Gleaner Degree and the Fourth Degree is the Husbandman and Matron Degree.

The following Subordinate Granges have been organized within the State of Connecticut; The first Twenty Granges were organized under the First State Grange. Hope Grange No. 20 was the only one which held continuous meetings and paid dues either directly to the National Grange or through the Massachusetts State Grange during the period between the first and second State Granges. Since the organization of the Second State Grange various Granges were reorganized in the Towns where the original Twenty Granges had been and were granted the right to assume the original number in later years.

As indicated elsewhere in this history, Granby No. 5 and Tunxis No. 13 were reactivated prior to the organization of the Second State Grange.

### STAFFORD GRANGE No. 1

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Stafford was the 51st town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Stafford, a village in Staffordshire, England. It was organized by the 1st State Grange, under S. M. Harvy Godard. It was organized by George H. Newton, Deputy of Massachusetts. Organized January 2, 1874, with 13 Charter Members. Disbanded in 1875.

Reorganized under 2nd State Grange, S. Master J. H. Hale, as No. 55.  
Reorganized on February 4, 1887, with 15 Charter Members.  
On May 1, 1929, Mashapaug Lake Grange No. 101, merged with No. 55.

In 1933 the No. 55 was returned to be known as Stafford Grange No. 1 on December 21, 1933.

January 1, 1953, membership, 181.

Hall: Own, dedicated on January 17, 1913.

Incorporated: January 10, 1933.

No Juvenile Grange.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month, except in summer months.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

### WINDSOR GRANGE No. 2

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Windsor was the 1st town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the village of Windsor and the castle in Berkshire, England, now a Royal residence. It was organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: March 31, 1874, with 24 Charter Members. Organized by: Massachusetts Deputy George H. Newton of Monson, Mass. Disbanded in 1881.

Reorganized under 2nd State Grange, S. M. Minor Ives, as No. 196.

Reorganized: December 13, 1929, with 78 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: Deputy L. E. Stoughton. Returned to be known as Windsor Grange No. 2.

January 1, 1953, membership, 222.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: July 21, 1949.

No Juvenile Grange.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

### LANESVILLE GRANGE No. 3

The name of this Grange was taken from the village known as Lanesville, named after the Lanes family, in the town of New Milford. New Milford was the 47th town to be established in Connecticut. New Milford was set off from the town of Milford, thus New Milford. Milford was named from the village of Milford in Pembroke, England. It was organized by the 1st State Grange under



S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: April 8, 1874, with 30 Charter Members. Organized by: Mass. Deputy George H. Newton. Disbanded in 1877.

#### HAWLEYVILLE GRANGE No. 4

The name of this Grange was taken from the village known as Hawleyville. Hawleyville was named from the Hawley family and is in the town of Newtown. Newtown was the 45th town established in Connecticut and received its name from being a new town. It was organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: October 13, 1874, with 40 Charter Members. Organized by: I. L. Buck. Disbanded in 1878.

#### GRANBY GRANGE No. 5

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Granby was the 93rd town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It received its name from the Marquis of Granby, England. It was organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: January 12, 1875, with 26 Charter Members. Organized by: Massachusetts Deputy Howard P. Robinson of Blandford, Mass. Disbanded in 1886, under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Reorganized under S. M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Reorganized: March 25, 1892, with 38 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Joel H. Brewer. Disbanded in 1899 under S.M. B.C. Patterson.

Reorganized under S. M. Minor Ives.  
Organized: October 27, 1926, with 20 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Harvey Ford. January 1, 1953, membership, 293.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: February 20, 1950.  
No Juvenile Grange.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

#### DANBURY GRANGE No. 6

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Danbury was the 29th town established in the State of Connecticut, and received its name from Danbury parish, in Essex, England. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: January 14, 1875, with 51 Charter Members. Organized by: Dep. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded:

Reorganized in 1903 as Danbury Grange No. 156.

#### ROXBURY GRANGE No. 7

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Roxbury was the 105th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the rockier part of Woodbury. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: January 19, 1875, with 34 Charter Members. Organized by: Dept. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded:

Reorganized under S. M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Reorganized: March 6, 1940, with 78 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 102.  
Hall: lease.  
Incorporated: October 5, 1942.  
Juvenile: Roxbury No. 67, see Juvenile listing.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

#### SHERMAN GRANGE No. 8

The name of this Grange was taken from a prominent family named Sherman. It was located in the Gaylordsville section of the Town of New Milford. New Milford was the 47th town to be established in the State of Conn. New Milford was set off from Milford, thus New Milford. Milford was named from the village of Milford in Pembroke, England. Organized by 1st State Grange

under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: January 30, 1875, with 24 Charter Members. Organized by: Dept. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded in 1878.

### HARTLAND GRANGE No. 9

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it was located. Hartland was the 69th town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name Hart(ford)land because it was owned by Hartford men. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: February 23, 1875, with 30 Charter Members. Organized by: Dept. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded in 1878.

Reorganized as Grange No. 187 and disbanded again.

### WEST SUFFIELD GRANGE No. 10

This Grange was first known as West Suffield Valley Grange and received its name from its location in the Town of Suffield. Suffield was the 24th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as an abbreviation of Southfield (Massachusetts) which was later granted to the State of Connecticut. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: March 2, 1875, with 23 Charter Members. Organized by: Dept. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded in 1878.

Reorganized as Grange No. 199.

### WASHINGTON GRANGE No. 11

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Washington was the 74th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from George Washington. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: February 12, 1875, with 31 Charter Members. Organized by: Dept. Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Disbanded in 1877.

Reorganized under S. M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Reorganized: March 31, 1891, with 39 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: George W. Mason, Master of Litchfield Grange, Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 125.

Hall: rent.

Incorporated: July 31, 1935.

No Juvenile Grange.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

### EAST GRANBY GRANGE No. 12

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. East Granby was the 159th town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being East of Granby from which a part of the town was formed. Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard. Organized: February 10, 1875, with 75 Charter Members. Organized by: National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa. Became dormant about 1889.

Reorganized under S. M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Reorganized: April 21, 1893, with 82 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: Deputy Joel H. Brewer. Disbanded in 1899 under S. M. S. O. Bowen.

### TUNXIS GRANGE No. 13

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians that lived in that location. This Grange is located in the Town of Bloomfield. Bloomfield was the 133rd town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from a prominent Hartford family.

Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard.

Organized on March 24, 1875, with 14 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa.

Was inactive for four years during periods between 1st and 2nd State Grange.

February 4, 1885 Bloomfield Grange No. 14, merged with No. 13 thus giving it added strength to become active again.

January 1, 1953, membership, 234.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: October 17, 1951.  
No Juvenile Grange.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

#### BLOOMFIELD GRANGE No. 14

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bloomfield was the 133rd town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from a prominent Hartford family.

Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard.  
Organized: March 25, 1875, with 28 Charter Members.  
Organized by: National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa.  
Merged with Tunxis Grange No. 13, on February 4, 1885.

#### REDDING GRANGE No. 15

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Redding was the 70th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from a Col. John Read and was first known as Reading.

Organized by the 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard.  
Organized: April 6, 1875, with 30 Charter Members.  
Organized by: National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa.  
Disbanded in 1877.

Reorganized under S. M. O. S. Wood, as Grange No. 163.  
Reorganized on April 7, 1906, with 32 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: Deputy W. J. Wood.  
Disbanded in 1923 under S. M. Allen Cook.

Reorganized under S. M. Edgar L. Tucker as Grange No. 15.  
Reorganized: June 26, 1939, with 53 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Harold A. Brundage.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 123.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: September 30, 1940.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

#### COLEBROOK GRANGE No. 16

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Colebrook was the 76th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Colebrook, Devonshire, England.

Organized by 1st State Grange under S. M. Harvy Godard.  
Organized: April 28, 1875, with 22 Charter Members.  
Organized by Deputy H. P. Robinson of Mass.  
Disbanded in 1877.

Reorganized as Colebrook Grange No. 82.  
Reorganized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Reorganized by: Deputy A. F. Miner.  
Reorganized: May 28, 1888, with 33 Charter Members.  
Disbanded under S. M. Frank E. Blake-man, on December 10, 1920.

#### KENT GRANGE No. 17

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Kent was the 62nd town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Kent County, England.



Organized under 1st State Grange under  
S. M. Harvy Godard.

Organized by: Deputy Robinson of  
Massachusetts

Organized: February 9, 1875, with 16  
Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1875.

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Reorganized as Kent Grange No. 154.

### SIMSBURY GRANGE No. 18

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Town where it is located. Sims-  
bury was the 21st town established in  
the State of Connecticut and received its  
name from Sim(on) Wolcott, leading  
settler or from Simonds bury in Dorset,  
England.

Organized by 1st State Grange under  
S. M. Harvy Godard.

Organized: March 24, 1876, with 14  
Charter Members.

Organized by: Deputy H. P. Robinson  
of Mass.

Disbanded in 1877.

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Reorganized as Simsbury Grange No.  
197.

### HOUSATONIC GRANGE No. 19

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Housatonic River which flows  
through the village of Falls Village  
where this Grange was located in the  
Town of Canaan. Canaan was the 60th  
town established in the State of Con-  
necticut and received its name from the  
Bible, meaning lowland.

Organized by the 1st State Grange under  
S. M. Harvy Godard.

Organized: April 26, 1876, with 17 Char-  
ter Members.

Organized by: Deputy H. P. Robinson  
of Mass.

Disbanded in 1877.

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NOTE!!!: This name is unique in the  
fact that later another Grange in an-  
other town was organized using this  
same name. Each took the name from  
the large river that flowed through it.

### HOPE GRANGE No. 20

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the expression (We hope that this  
Grange will live). It is located in the  
Village of West Torrington, in the Town  
of Torrington. Torrington was the 66th  
town established in the State of Con-  
necticut and received its name from Tor-  
rington, Devonshire, England. This is  
the only Grange which paid dues and  
held meetings continuously during the  
period between the 1st and 2nd State  
Grange.

Organized by the 1st State Grange under  
S. M. Harvy Godard.

Organized: April 27, 1876, with 20  
Charter Members.

Organized by: Deputy H. P. Robinson  
of Massachusetts.

January 1, 1953, membership, 232.

Hall: Own, dedicated by F. H. Peet on  
October 12, 1937.

Incorporated: March 30, 1933.

Juvenile: Hope Juvenile No. 27, see  
Juvenile listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona  
Grange.

### LEBANON GRANGE No. 21

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the town where it is located. Le-  
banon was the 36th town established in  
the State of Connecticut and received its  
name from Lebanon, Syria, the Hebrew  
name for white. Organized during the  
period between the 1st and 2nd State  
Granges. It is interesting to note that  
they built a hall and store which was  
dedicated (the 1st dedication of a hall in  
Connecticut) by S. M. Sherman Kimberly  
on November 12, 1885.

Organized by: National Deputy Sher-  
man Kimberly of Connecticut.

Organized March 31, 1884, with 25 Char-  
ter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 124.

Hall: rented.

Not incorporated.

No Juvenile Grange.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
mona Grange.

**ADVANCE GRANGE No. 22**

The name of this Grange was taken because (Advancement was being made in Grange work and growth and because it was not the first Grange to be organized in Simsbury) This Grange was located in the Town of Simsbury, which received its name from Sim(on) Wolcott, leading settler, or perhaps from Simonds-bury in Dorset, England.

Organized during period between 1st and 2nd State Granges.

Organized on: January 15, 1885 with 23 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

Disbanded in 1901 under S.M. B. C. Patterson.

This Grange had the distinction of having the first woman as Master, Mrs. Mary Holcomb in 1891.

**CHESHIRE GRANGE No. 23**

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it was located. Cheshire was the 78th town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Cheshire, England. It was first known as New Cheshire.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.

Organized on: January 24, 1885, with 22 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 401.

Hall: Own. Dedicated June 24, 1891 by S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Incorporated: September 31, 1891.

Juvenile: Cheshire Juvenile Grange No. 28, see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

**BERLIN GRANGE No. 24**

The name of this Grange was taken from the town where it is located. Berlin was the 82nd town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its

name from Berlin in Prussia. It was formerly known as Kensington.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Grange.

Organized on: February 6, 1885, with 20 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 222.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: January 15, 1923.

No Juvenile.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**UNION GRANGE No. 25**

The name of this Grange was taken from the union of good fellowship and cooperation in establishing this Grange. This Grange is located in the Town of Southington which was the 77th town established in the State of Connecticut. Southington received its name as the south society of Farmington from which town it was set off from.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Grange.

Organized on: February 18, 1885, with 26 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 227.

Hall: Own. Dedicated May 1, 1953 by S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.

Incorporated: May 24, 1899.

Juvenile: Union Juvenile Grange No. 69, see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**GLASTONBURY GRANGE No. 26**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Glastonbury was the 33rd Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Glastonbury in Somersetshire, England.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.

Organized on: February 17, 1885, with 24 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.



January 1, 1953, membership, 211.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: January 13, 1950.  
 No Juvenile.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
 Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

### SUFFIELD GRANGE No. 27

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Suffield was the 24th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as an abbreviation of Southfield (Massachusetts), this land being later granted to the State of Connecticut.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Grange.  
 Organized on: February 19, 1885, with 28 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 248.  
 Hall: Life Use.  
 Incorporated: no incorporation.  
 Juvenile: Suffield Juvenile No. 55, see Juvenile listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.  
 Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

### SOUTH WINDSOR GRANGE No. 28

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. South Windsor was the 144th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut, and received its name as being the south portion of East Windsor from whence it was set off from. It was formerly known as Windsor Farms.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.  
 Organized on: March 3, 1885, with 43 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: Deputy C. H. Pease.  
 Disbanded on December 28, 1892 under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

### MERIDEN GRANGE No. 29

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Meriden was the 116th Town to be es-

tablished in the State of Connecticut and received its name from "Meriden Farms," Dorking, Surrey, England.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.  
 Organized on: March 27, 1885, with 32 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 403.  
 Hall: Own; dedicated January 8, 1926, by S.M. Allen B. Cook.  
 Incorporated: July 23, 1912.  
 No Juvenile.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### WAPPING GRANGE No. 30

The name of this Grange was taken from the village in the Town of South Windsor where it was located. South Windsor was the 144th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being the south portion of the Town of East Windsor from whence it was set off from. It was formerly known as Windsor Farms.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.  
 Organized on: April 23, 1885, with 32 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 248.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: February 7, 1952.  
 No Juvenile.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

### MANCHESTER GRANGE No. 31

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Manchester was the 126th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Manchester, England.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.  
 Organized on: May 19, 1885, with 27 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 334.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated on August 1, 1945.

Juvenile: Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 9 under first set of Juveniles and Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 53 under the second set, see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

### NORTH CORNWALL GRANGE No. 32 changed in 1915 to

#### CORNWALL GRANGE No. 32

The name of this Grange was first taken from the village in the Town of Cornwall where it was located. Then it was changed to the name of the Town where it was located. Cornwall was the 64th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Cornwall, the southwest county of England.

Organized during the period between the 1st and 2nd State Granges.

Organized on: May 22, 1885, with 15 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 102.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated as North Cornwall: March 24, 1909.

Incorporated as Cornwall: September 20, 1940.

Juvenile: North Cornwall Juvenile No. 3 under 1st set of Juveniles, see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

#### WALLINGFORD GRANGE No. 33

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Wallingford was the 22nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Wallingford in Berkshire, England. It was formerly known as "East River" or "New Haven Village."

Organized during the period between the first and 2nd State Granges.

Organized on: May 27, 1885, with 32 Charter Members.

Organized by: National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of Connecticut.

January 1, 1953, membership, 487.

Hall: Own. Dedicated on February 9, 1933 by S.M. L. G. Tolles.

Incorporated: August 11, 1932.

Juvenile: Wallingford Juvenile Grange No. 30; see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

#### CAWASA GRANGE No. 34

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians; it is the name of a river also in this section. This Grange is located in the Town of Canton, village of Collinsville. Canton was the 115th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Canton, China, original name "Suffrage."

Organized under S.M. Sherman Kimberly.

Organized on: October 16, 1885, with 34

Charter Members.

Organized by: S.M. Sherman Kimberly.

January 1, 1953, membership, 339.

Hall: Own. Dedicated October 16, 1890.

Incorporated: March 27, 1922.

No Juvenile.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

#### NORTH HAVEN GRANGE No. 35

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. North Haven was the 96th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name North Haven which was a village in the Town of New Haven, from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized on: December 29, 1885, with 18 Charter Members.

Organized by: Deputy C. C. Lord.

January 1, 1953, membership, 246.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: March 19, 1952.

Juvenile: North Haven Juvenile No. 50; see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

### LITTLE RIVER GRANGE No. 36

The name of the Grange was taken from the name of a small stream of water flowing through the eastern part of the Town. This Grange is located in the Town of Hampton. Hampton was the 94th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Hampton in Middlesex, England. Formerly Kennedy or Windham Village.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: December 30, 1885 with 22 Charter Members.  
Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 333.  
Hall: Own. Dedicated January 11, 1907 by S.M. L. Healey.  
Incorporated: February 1, 1906.

Juvenile: Hopeful Juvenile Grange No. 2 under first set of Juvenile Granges.  
Little River Juvenile Grange No. 20 under second set of Juvenile Granges.  
See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### EAST HARTFORD GRANGE No. 37

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. East Hartford was the 80th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the easterly portion of the Town of Hartford from whence it was set off from. The Indian name is "Podunk."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: January 27, 1886, with 16 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 175.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: May 20, 1952.  
Juvenile: East Hartford Juvenile Grange No. 26; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

### NEW CANAAN GRANGE No. 38

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where this Grange was located. New Canaan was the 108th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Bible meaning lowland. It was formerly known as Canaan Parrish.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: January 28, 1886, with 16 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 166.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: August 14, 1950.  
No Juvenile.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

### BURRITT GRANGE No. 39

The name of this Grange was taken from a former prominent citizen, Elihu Burritt who organized the New Britain Agricultural Society. This and other Agricultural interests gave him prominence in New Britain where this Grange is located. New Britain was the 147th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Great Britain.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 3, 1886, with 28 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 140.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: December 20, 1950.  
No Juvenile.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Saturdays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### SENEXET GRANGE No. 40

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians.

This Grange is located in the Town of Woodstock. Woodstock was the 31st Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Woodstock in Oxfordshire, England. It was first known as New Roxbury, Massachusetts but was annexed to Connecticut in 1749.



Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: February 17, 1886, with  
 34 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 253.  
 Hall: Own; dedicated on February 17,  
 1936.  
 Incorporated: April 10, 1934.  
 No Juvenile.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

#### KONOMOC GRANGE No. 41

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Indians.

This Grange is located in the Town of  
 Waterford. Waterford was the 109th  
 Town established in the State of Con-  
 necticut and its name is descriptive of  
 the scenes abounding in that vicinity.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.  
 Organized on: March 16, 1886, with 23  
 Charter Members.  
 Became dormant in 1897 under S.M.  
 S. O. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
 Reorganized on: 1902, with  
 Charter Members.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy E. J. Hemp-  
 stead.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 364.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: April 14, 1950.  
 Juvenile: Konomoc Juvenile No. 43; see  
 Juvenile Listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
 mona Grange.

#### MATTABESSETT GRANGE No. 42

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Indian name of Middletown,  
 which was Mattabessett. This Grange is  
 located in the Town of Middletown.  
 Middletown was the 16th Town to be es-  
 tablished in the State of Connecticut and  
 received its name as being the middle  
 town between upper Connecticut cities  
 and Saybrook. The Indians spelled it  
 "Mattabeset."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: March 24, 1886, with 29  
 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 294.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated on December 15,  
 1939 by S.M. E. L. Tucker.  
 Incorporated: November 3, 1931.  
 Juvenile: Mattabesset Juvenile No. 38;  
 see Juvenile listing.  
 Meets: Saturdays; see handbook.  
 Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

#### BROOKLYN GRANGE No. 43

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Town where it was located.  
 Brooklyn was the 87th Town to be estab-  
 lished in the State of Connecticut and  
 received its name from (brookline) (the  
 Winebaug River). Formerly known as  
 Mortlake.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: March 25, 1886, with 30  
 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 253.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated August 27, 1951  
 by S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
 Incorporated: April 28, 1933.  
 Juvenile: Brooklyn Juvenile Grange No.  
 5, under first set of Juvenile Granges;  
 see Juvenile listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

#### NEWINGTON GRANGE No. 44

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Town where it was located.  
 Newington was the 166th Town to be  
 established in the State of Connecticut  
 and received its name from Newington  
 in Kent, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: March 26, 1886, with 15  
 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 143.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: October 28, 1921.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**HARWINTON GRANGE No. 45**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Harwinton was the 58th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Har(tford), Win(dsor) and (Farming)ton.

Organized by: Deputy Sherman Kimberly.

Organized on: April 3, 1886, with 28 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1895 under S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. Leonard Healey.  
Reorganized on: June 9, 1909, with 24 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: Deputy G. Goodenough.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 221.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

**ELLINGTON GRANGE No. 46**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Ellington was the 89th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Ellington in Yorks, England. It was formerly known as the "Great Swamp."

Organized on: May 15, 1886, with 36 Charter Members.

Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.

January 1, 1953, membership, 348.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: December 14, 1950.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

**BOLTON GRANGE No. 47**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bolton was the 53rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and

received its name from the Duke of Bolton in Bolton District, Lancashire, England.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized on: May 21, 1886, with 14 Charter Members.

Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.

January 1, 1953, membership, 162.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: May 17, 1950.

Juvenile: Bolton Juvenile Grange No. 6 under first set of Juveniles and Bolton

Juvenile Grange No. 23 under the second set. see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

**WHIGVILLE GRANGE No. 48**

The name of this Grange was taken from a section where the Whigs of the Town were located. This Grange is located in the town of Burlington. Burlington was the 114th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the 3rd Earl of Burlington, England. It was formerly known as "West Woods" or West Britain.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized on: June 2, 1886, with 38 Charter Members.

Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.

Hall and all property destroyed by fire so disbanded on May 25, 1920.

Disbanded under S. M. Frank E. Blakeman.

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Reorganized under S. M. Edgar L. Tucker.

Reorganized on October 20, 1939, with 27 Charter Members.

Reorganized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.

January 1, 1953, membership, 134.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: April 20, 1893, and reinstated August 16, 1940.

Juvenile: Whigville Juvenile No. 63, see Juvenile listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.



**FARMINGTON GRANGE No. 49**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Farmington was the 12th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from "Tunxis shall be called Farmington", meaning farmingtown.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: October 25, 1886, with 21 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Disbanded under S. M. S. O. Bowen in November 1898.

Reorganized under S. M. Leonard Healey.  
Reorganized on: February 28, 1908, with 38 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: B. A. Peck.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 133.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: May 13, 1935.  
Juvenile: Farmington Juvenile Grange No. 14, see Juvenile listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

**WESTFIELD GRANGE No. 50**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village of that name located in the town of Middletown. Middletown was the 16th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. Westfield was the west field like portion of the Town. Middletown received its name as being the Town midway in Connecticut on the Connecticut River.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: November 22, 1886, with 31 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 97.  
Hall: Lease.  
Incorporated: December 8, 1920.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**TOLLAND GRANGE No. 51**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located.

Tolland was the 49th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Tolland in Somersetshire, England, whence Henry Wolcott, grandfather of Gov. Roger Wolcott was chief owner.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: November 24, 1886, with 20 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 153.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated October 19, 1950.  
Juvenile: Tolland Juvenile Grange No. 34. See Juvenile listing.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

**VERNON GRANGE No. 52**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Vernon was the 119th Town established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Washington's home, Mt. Vernon. It was formerly known as North Bolton.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: November 29, 1886, with 18 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 298.  
Hall: Own. Dedicated in 1928, Nov. 30 by High Priest C. M. Gardner.  
Incorporated: May 31, 1932.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

**POQUONOCK GRANGE No. 53**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians. This Grange was located in the Town of Windsor. Windsor was the 1st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Windsor in Berkshire, England, now a Royal residence.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: January 7, 1887, with 20 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Disbanded in 1903 under S. M. B. C. Patterson.

**PLAINVILLE GRANGE No. 54**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Plainville was the 164th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from village of plains. It was formerly known as "Great Plain" of Farmington.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: January 27, 1887, with 22 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 135.  
Hall: Own. Rededicated Dec. 17, 1929 by High Priest C. M. Gardner.  
Incorporated: June 10, 1911.  
Juvenile: Plainville Juvenile Grange No. 39. See Juvenile listing continued.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**STAFFORD GRANGE No. 55**

See Stafford Grange No. 1 for all information.

**EAST HADDAM GRANGE No. 56**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. East Haddam was the 55th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from "Haddam East Society". It's Indian name was "Macki-moodus".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 7, 1887, with 32 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 206.  
Hall: Own  
Incorporated: April 4, 1933.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

**DURHAM GRANGE No. 57**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Durham was the 39th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It received its name from Durham, town and county in England. It's Indian name is "Coginchaug".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 10, 1887, with 19 Charter Members.  
Organized by: Deputy Josiah M. Hubbard.  
Disbanded under S. M.

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Reorganized under S. M. O. S. Wood.  
Reorganized on: February 10, 1906, with 38 Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 234.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: October 14, 1946.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

**WEST HARTFORD GRANGE No. 58**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. West Hartford was the 152nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as that portion of Hartford in the western part which was later set off and became the Town of West Hartford. Formerly known as West Division.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 12, 1887, with 32 Charter Members.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 282.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: Nov. 10, 1939.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

**SAYBROOK GRANGE No. 59**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Saybrook was the 4th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Lord Say and Sele and Baron Brook. Indian name is "PATTAQUASSETT".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 17, 1887, with 18 Charter Members.

Organized by: Deputy J. Hubbard.  
Disbanded under S. M. J. Arthur Sherwood in 1915.

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#### CRYSTAL LAKE GRANGE No. 60

The name of this Grange was taken from a Lake of that name in the Town of Eastford. Eastford is the 145th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the east parish of Ashford from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 21, 1887, with 40 Charter Members  
Organized by: Dr. G. A. Bowen.  
Disbanded under S. M. O. S. Wood on December 15, 1905.

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#### WOLF DEN GRANGE No. 61

The name of this Grange was taken from the cave made famous by its connection with the wolf killing exploit of Israel Putnam. This Grange is located in the village of Abington in the Town of Pomfret. Pomfret was the 48th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Pontefract in Yorkshire, England. The Indian name is "MASHAMOQUET".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 24, 1886, with 33 Charter Members.  
Organized by: Dr. G. A. Bowen.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 269.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: April 21, 1933.  
Juvenile: Wolf Den Juvenile Grange No. 18, see Juvenile listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

#### EUREKA GRANGE No. 62

The name of this Grange was taken from the Greek and means "I have found it."

This Grange is located in the village of Nepaug in the Town of New Hartford. New Hartford is the 59th Town

to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Hartford, whence its proprietors.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy A Minor.  
Organized on: February 28, 1887, with 27 Charter Members.  
Disbanded under S.M. Allen Cook on July 7, 1925.

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Reorganized under S. M. Minor Ives.  
Reorganized July 3, 1928, with Charter Members.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Harvey Ford.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 194.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: March 14, 1897.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

#### MIDDLEFIELD GRANGE No. 63

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Middlefield was the 163rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the rural part of Middletown from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 28, 1887, with 36 Charter Members.  
Organized by: Deputy J. Hubbard.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 166.  
Hall: Life Use, Dedicated July 4, 1932 by High Priest of Demeter Charles M. Gardner.  
Incorporated: April 12, 1951.  
Juvenile: Middlefield Juvenile Grange No. 11, see Juvenile Listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

#### MANSFIELD GRANGE No. 64

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Mansfield was the 37th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Major Moses Mansfield. Originally called Ponde-Town. The Indian name is "Noubesetuck."



Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on March 11, 1887, with  
 25 Charter Members  
 Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
 January 1, 1953 membership, 145.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: February 6, 1953.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 2nd Monday.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### QUINNATISSET GRANGE No. 65

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indian name of this Town. This Grange is located in the Town of Thompson. Thompson was the 85th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from its chief owner Sir Robert Thompson.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: March 15, 1887, with  
 21 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: Lewis J. Wells.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 197.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: July 14, 1933.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### KILLINGWORTH GRANGE No. 66

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Killingworth was the 19th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was first known as Kenilworth from Kenilworth in Warwickshire, England. Indian name for Town "HAMMONASSETT".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized on: March 28, 1887, with  
 24 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: Deputy Josiah Hubbard.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 207.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: February 10, 1953.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

### CROMWELL GRANGE No. 67

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located.

Cromwell was the 149th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Oliver Cromwell. It was formerly known as Upper Middletown.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale  
 Organized on: April 1, 1887, with 18  
 Charter Members.  
 Organized by: Deputy Josiah Hubbard.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 87.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: Not.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### NATCHAUG GRANGE No. 68

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians. A river is of this name in this locality.

It is located in the Town of Chaplin. Chaplin was the 124th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from a Deacon Benjamin Chaplin.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Dr. J. A. Bowen.  
 Organized on: April 5, 1887, with 17  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded in 1896 under S.M. S. O.  
 Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Reorganized by: Charles H. Potter.  
 Reorganized on: May 27, 1905, with 42  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 192.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated May 22, 1931 by  
 Louis G. Tolles.  
 Incorporated: September 2, 1930.  
 Juvenile: Natchaug Juvenile Grange  
 No. 13; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### SHETUCKET GRANGE No. 69

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians in that locality. This Grange is located in the Town of Scotland. Scotland was the 158th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut



and received its name from the first settler, Magoon, a Scot.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized on: June 10, 1887, with 25 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 181.

Hall: Life use of.

Incorporated: August 1, 1950.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### CANTERBURY GRANGE No. 70

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Canterbury was the 38th Town to be established in the State Connecticut and received its name from Canterbury in Kent, England. Its Indian name is "Peagscomsueck."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized on: October 27, 1887, with 32 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 199.

Hall: Own; dedicated January 27, 1915 by Allen Cook.

Incorporated: July 15, 1932.

Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 10, under first set of Juvenile Granges, and Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 7 under second set. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### MAD RIVER GRANGE No. 71

The name of this Grange was taken from the River that flows through the Town where this Grange was located. This Grange is located in the Town of Waterbury. Waterbury was the 28th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from "abundant waters." Its Indian name is "Mattatuck".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy C. C. Lord.

Organized on: December 1, 1887, with 50 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953 membership, 234.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: February 15, 1941.

Juvenile: Mad River Juvenile No. 21, see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: Every Thursday.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

### PLYMOUTH GRANGE No. 72

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Plymouth was the 103rd Town to be established in the state of Connecticut and received its name from Plymouth, Massachusetts which received its name from Plymouth, England.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy A. Minor

Organized on: December 8, 1887, with 23 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 225.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated August 15, 1895.

Juvenile: Plymouth Juvenile Grange No. 54. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

### INDIAN RIVER GRANGE No. 73

The name of this Grange was taken from the River that flows through the Town where this Grange was located. This Grange is located in the Town of Milford. Milford was the 6th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Milford in Pembroke, England. Its Indian name is "Wepawaug".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.

Organized on: December 29, 1887, with 29 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 190.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: February 9, 1951.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

### WINCHESTER GRANGE No. 74

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Winchester was the 73rd Town to be

established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Winchester in Hampshire, England. It was formerly known as the "Green Woods".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy A. Minor.  
Organized on: January 2, 1888, with 31 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 334.  
Hall: Own. Dedicated June 22nd, 1952, by Ira F. Wilcox.  
Incorporated: January 2, 1895.  
Juvenile: Winchester Juvenile Grange No. 32, see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

#### COVENTRY GRANGE No. 75

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Coventry was the 46th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Coventry in Warwickshire, England.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: January 16, 1888, with 24 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 229.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: September 13, 1932.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

#### ANDOVER GRANGE No. 76

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Andover was the 146th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Andover, Massachusetts.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 6, 1888, with 24 Charter Members.  
Hall: Free use of.  
Incorporated: October 11, 1950.  
Juvenile: Andover Juvenile Grange No. 10, see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

#### CLINTON GRANGE No. 77

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Clinton was the 137th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Governor Dewitt Clinton of New York.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized on: February 9, 1888, with 20 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 154.  
Hall: Free use of.  
Incorporated: May 11, 1939.  
Juvenile: Clinton Juvenile No. 12, see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

#### COLCHESTER GRANGE No. 78

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Colchester was the 34th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Colchester borough and port in Essex, England. It was formerly known as "Jeremiah's Farms".

Organized under: S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy J. Tucker.  
Organized on: February 14, 1888, with 44 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 104.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: July 13, 1901.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

#### HOUSATONIC GRANGE No. 79

The name of this Grange was taken from the River that empties into Long Island Sound in the Town where this Grange was located. This Grange is located in the Town of Stratford. Stratford was the 8th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received

its name from the Stratford-le-Bow in Essex, or Stratford-on-Avon, England. Its Indian name is "Cupheag". This is the only Grange in the State that has the name of a Grange now dormant which was located in a different township. The name of that Grange was Housatonic Grange No. 19 in Falls Village.

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy Fred W. Hawley.  
Organized on: February 21, 1888, with 29 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 170.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: September 26, 1951.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Saturdays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

#### NORTHFORD GRANGE No. 80

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it was located in the Town of North Branford. North Branford was the 131st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being originally the northern part of Branford from whence it was set off from. Branford received its name from Brentford in Middlesex, England. The Indian name is "Totoket".

Organized under S. M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
Organized on: March 7, 1888, with 19 Charter Members.  
Disbanded under S. M. S. O. Bowen in 1896.

#### GUILFORD GRANGE No. 81

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Guilford was the 7th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Guildford parish in Surrey, England. Its Indian name is "Menunkatuck".

Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
Organized on: April 6, 1888, with 17 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1898 under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Reorganized under: S. M. L. H. Healey.  
Reorganized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
Reorganized on: Feb. 8, 1911 with 48 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953: Membership 266.  
Hall: Own. Dedicated June 25, 1950 by H. L. Page.  
Incorporated: March 11, 1948.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

#### COLEBROOK GRANGE No. 82

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. Colebrook was the 76th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Colebrooke, in Devonshire, England.

Organized under: S.M. J. H. Hale as a reorganization of Grange No. 16.  
Reorganized by: Deputy A. F. Minor.  
Reorganized on: May 28, 1888, with 33 Charter Members.  
Disbanded under S. M. Frank E. Blake-man, on December 10, 1920.

#### TOTOKET GRANGE No. 83

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indian name for Branford. This Grange is located in the Town of North Branford. North Branford was the 131st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the north portion of the Town of Branford from whence it was set off from. Branford received its name from Brentford in Middlesex, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
Organized on: May 30, 1888, with 25 Charter Members.  
Disbanded in August 1898 under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.



Reorganized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
Reorganized on: May 1, 1906, with 51  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 149.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: February 20, 1951.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Po-  
mona Grange.

### FOXON GRANGE No. 84

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the village where it is located.

Foxon is located in the Town of East  
Haven. East Haven was the 84th Town  
to be established in the State of Con-  
necticut and received its name as being  
the eastern portion of the Town of New  
Haven from whence it was set off from.  
New Haven received its name from New-  
haven on the south coast of Sussex, Eng-  
land. The Indian name was "Quinnipiac."  
East Haven was formerly known  
as Iron Works Village.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.

Organized on: September 25, 1888, with  
17 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 142.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not Incorporated.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Po-  
mona Grange.

### WANGUMBAUG GRANGE No. 85

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Indians of that territory. It is  
also a name of the Lake in Coventry.

This Grange was located in the Town  
of Coventry. Coventry was the 46th  
Town to be established in the State of  
Connecticut and received its name from  
Coventry in Warwickshire, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Orson S. Wood.

Organized on October 8, 1888, with 24  
Charter Members.

Disbanded and merged with Coventry  
Grange No. 75 on April 9, 1912 under  
S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Juvenile: Wanguambaug Juvenile Grange  
No. 7 under first set of Juvenile  
Granges; see Juvenile Grange listing.

### WEBUTUCK GRANGE No. 86

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Indians.

Webutuck Grange Hall is located in  
Amenia Union, New York but the juris-  
diction of this Grange covers the Town  
of Sharon, Connecticut adjacent to this  
Hall. Sharon was the 63rd Town to be  
established in the State of Connecticut  
and received its name from the Hebrew  
name meaning, a plain.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy A. Minor.

Organized on: October 18, 1888, with 23  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 145.

Hall: Own; dedicated in 1932 by C. M.  
Gardner.

Incorporated: May 27, 1931.

Juvenile: Banner Juvenile Grange No. 1  
under 1st set of Juvenile Granges; see  
Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona  
Grange.

### HILLSTOWN GRANGE No. 87

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the village where it was located.  
This Grange is located in the Town of  
East Hartford. East Hartford was the  
80th Town to be established in the State  
of Connecticut and took its name from  
the eastern part of Hartford from whence  
it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy Charles R. Risley.

Organized on: October 29, 1888, with 24  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 197.

Hall: Own; dedicated on December 3,  
1889 by Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Incorporated: June 10, 1939.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona  
Grange.



**STILL RIVER GRANGE No. 88**

The name of this Grange was taken from the River that flows through the City of Winsted. This Grange is located in the Town of Winchester. Winchester was the 73rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Winchester in Hampshire, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy A. Minor.  
Organized on: November 7, 1888, with 34 Charter Members.  
Disbanded in March 1898 under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

**EKONK GRANGE No. 89**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians.

This Grange is located in the Town of Sterling. Sterling was the 102nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Dr. John Sterling, a resident.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized on: December 14, 1888, with 36 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 144.  
Hall: Own; dedicated in 1914 by J. A. Sherwood.  
Incorporated: March 7, 1951.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

**ASHFORD GRANGE No. 90**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it is located. This Grange meets in the village of Warrenville. Ashford was the 44th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Ashford, Kent, England. It was formerly known as "New Scituate."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized on: December 21, 1888, with 22 Charter Members.

Disbanded March 13, 1902, under S.M. B. C. Patterson.

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Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Reorganized by: Charles H. Potter.  
Reorganized on: July 13, 1907, with 23 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 160.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: October 13, 1950.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

**SEYMOUR GRANGE No. 91**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Seymour was the 148th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Gov. Thomas Seymour. The Indian name is "Naugatuck." It has been known by various names: 1st, Rimmon; 2nd, Chusettown; 3rd, Humphreysville.

It was Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.  
Organized on: January 4, 1889, with 16 Charter Members.  
Disbanded December 12, 1896, under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Reorganized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.  
Reorganized on: February 3, 1906, with 22 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 181  
Hall: Own dedicated September 13, 1936 by F. H. Peet.  
Incorporated: February 13, 1942.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

**HARMONY GRANGE No. 92**

The name of this Grange was taken from the prevailing feeling of Harmony between its members. This Grange is located in the Town of Monroe. Monroe was the 127th Town to be established in

the State of Connecticut and received its name from President James Monroe. It was formerly known as New Stratford.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy Fred M. Hawley.  
Organized on: January 18, 1889, with 27 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 195.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: October 7, 1932.  
Juvenile: Harmony Juvenile Grange No. 60. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

#### BORDER GRANGE No. 93

The name of this Grange was taken from the location in the Town. This Grange was located in the Town of Mansfield. Mansfield was the 37th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Major Moses Mansfield. It was formerly known as Ponde-town. The Indian name is "Noubesetuck."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy G. T. Sanger.  
Organized on: January 22, 1889, with 18 Charter Members.  
Disbanded on February 11, 1911 under S.M. L. H. Healey.

#### EAST WINDSOR GRANGE No. 94

The name of this Town was taken from the Town where it was located. East Windsor was the 72nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the eastern portion of the Town of Windsor from whence it was set off from. Formerly known as Windsor Farms.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy O. S. Wood.  
Organized on: February 13, 1889, with 27 Charter Members  
January 1, 1953, membership, 148.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: Not incorporated.  
Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

#### PERCIVAL GRANGE No. 95

The name of this Grange was taken from the poet James Gates Percival who lived in the Town nearby the Grange meeting place. This Grange was located in the village of Kensington in the Town of Berlin. Berlin was the 82nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Berlin, Germany.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy Charles R. Risley.  
Organized on: February 20, 1889, with 25 Charter Members.  
Disbanded January 1, 1896, under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

#### JEWETT CITY GRANGE No. 96

Later Known as

#### PACHAUG GRANGE No. 96

The name of this Grange was first taken from the village where it was located. It was located in the Town of Griswold. Griswold was the 120th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Gov. Roger Griswold.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.  
Organized on: February 21, 1889, with 31 Charter Members.  
Disbanded about 1894 under S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Reorganized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
Reorganized on: April 12, 1905, with 33 Charter Members.  
Became dormant 1908.

Reorganized under S.M. Leonard Healey.  
Reorganized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.

Reorganized on: March 19, 1909, with 23 Charter Members.

Changed name from Jewett City Grange to Pachaug Grange when they changed their place of meeting from Jewett City to Pachaug. The name of this Grange was taken from the Indian name of the river and lake in that locality.

January 1, 1953, membership, 218.

Hall: Own. Dedicated July 17, 1924.

Incorporated: November 20, 1935.

Juvenile: Pachaug Juvenile Grange No.

4. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

#### PUTNAM GRANGE No. 97

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Putnam was the 156th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the famous Israel Putnam. The Indian name is "Quinebaug."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy G. T. Sanger.

Organized on: March 7, 1889, with 18 Charter Members

Disbanded under S.M. B. C. Patterson on March 22, 1901.

Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.

Reorganized by: Deputy William H. Barron, Jr.

Reorganized on: April 3, 1907, with 17 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 153.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

#### BARKHAMSTED GRANGE No. 98

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Barkhamsted was the 75th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Berkhamstead in Hertfordshire, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy A. T. Minor.

Organized on: March 12, 1889, with 28 Charter Members.

Disbanded early in 1900 under S.M. B. C. Patterson.

#### HAMDEN GRANGE No. 99

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Hamden was the 90th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from John Hampden, English patriot.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.

Organized on: March 19, 1889, with 33 Charter Members.

Disbanded about 1910 under S. M. L. H. Healey.

Reorganized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.

Reorganized by: Deputy R. J. Bartlett.

Reorganized on: December 11, 1939, with 67 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 214.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: December 7, 1950.

Juvenile: Hamden Juvenile No. 49. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

#### TAGHANNUCK GRANGE No. 100

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians, meaning range of mountains from which the name is derived. The Grange is located in the village of Ellsworth in the Town of Sharon. Sharon was the 63rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Hebrew, meaning plain.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy A. Minor.

Organized on: March 19, 1889, with 21 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 112.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: Not incorporated.



Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

#### MASHAPPAUG LAKE GRANGE No. 101

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians. There is a lake of this name in the Town of Union where this Grange was located. Union was the 57th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the union of East Stafford and State Lands. It was formerly known as Union Lands.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy O. S. Wood.

Organized on: April 12, 1889, with 21 Charter Members.

Disbanded and merged on May 1, 1929 with Stafford Springs Grange, under S. M. Minor Ives.

#### OXFORD GRANGE No. 102

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Oxford was the 107th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Oxford, England.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.

Organized on: April 16, 1889, with 18 Charter Members.

Disbanded in September 1895 under S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Later was reorganized under Grange No. 194.

#### BEACON VALLEY GRANGE No. 103

The name of this Grange was taken from "A Light in the Valley." This Grange was located in the village of Straitsville in the Town of Naugatuck. Naugatuck was the 142nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Indians of that locality. Naugatuck is the name of the river that flows through this town.

In Algonkin, this name means one tree. This town was formerly known by various names, 1st, Salem Parish; 2nd, Salem Bridge; and 3rd, South Farms of Waterbury.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.

Organized on: May 31, 1889, with 38 Charter Members.

Hall: Own. Dedicated January 16, 1914.

Incorporated: May 27, 1929.

Juvenile: Beacon Valley Juvenile Grange No. 5. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: Every Friday.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

#### NORTH GUILFORD GRANGE No. 104

The name of this Grange was taken from the village where it was located in the Town of Guilford. Guilford was the 7th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Guildford Parish in Surrey, England. The Indian name is "Menunkatuck."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.

Organized on: June 7, 1889, with 45 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1899 under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

#### SOMERS GRANGE No. 105

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Somers was the 56th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Lord Somers. It was formerly known as East Enfield.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy O.S. Wood.

Organized on: September 12, 1889, with 27 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1929 under S. M. Minor Ives.

Reorganized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.



Reorganized by: Deputy R. J. Bartlett.  
Reorganized on: October 11, 1939, with  
52 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 263.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: May 19, 1947.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona  
Grange.

#### EAST HAVEN GRANGE No. 106

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. East Haven was the 84th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being the eastern part of New Haven from whence it was set off from. New Haven received its name from Newhaven on the south coast of Sussex, England. Its Indian name was "Quinnipiac."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.

Organized on: November 1, 1889, with  
13 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1904 under S.M. B. C.  
Patterson.

#### LITCHFIELD GRANGE No. 107

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Litchfield was the 50th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Litchfield, Staffordshire, England. The Indian name is "Bantam."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy Avery F. Minor.

Organized on: November 13, 1889, with  
45 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 195.

Hall: Own. Dedicated October 25, 1953  
by Donald K. Peck. (Anticipated)

Incorporated: April 6, 1927.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona  
Grange.

#### WOODBIDGE GRANGE No. 108

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located.

Woodbridge was the 81st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Rev. B. Woodbridge. It was formerly known as Amity.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.

Organized on: December 4, 1889, with  
31 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 245.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: June 29, 1951.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Po-  
mona Grange.

#### EAST HAMPTON GRANGE No. 109

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. East Hampton was the 71st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut, and received its name from William Pitt, Earl of Chatham, and known as the Town of Chatham. In 1915 it was changed by act of Legislature to East Hampton. The Indian name is "Pocotopaug."

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy Henry C. Dunham.

Organized on: December 20, 1889, with  
21 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 75.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not Incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

#### PRESTON CITY GRANGE No. 110

The name of this Grange was taken from that section of the state known as Preston City. Preston was the 30th town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It received its name from Preston, Lancaster, England. Formerly known as East Norwich.

Organized under S.M. J. Hale.

Organized by: Deputy J. H. Tucker.

Organized on: December 21, 1889, with  
42 Charter Members.

Disbanded July 1, 1899, under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy C. E. Stamples.  
 Reorganized on: April 13, 1905, with 30  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 237.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: October 23, 1951.  
 Juvenile: Preston City Juvenile No. 51.  
 See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
 mona Grange.

### HEBRON GRANGE No. 111

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Hebron was the 41st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Hebrew, Hebron derivation doubtful. Some think "An Association," "A League" and "Confederacy" are meanings given this word by various authorities.

Organized under S.M. J. H. Hale.  
 Organized by: Deputy O.S. Wood.  
 Organized on: January 15, 1890, with 26  
 Charter Members  
 Disbanded in 1895, under S.M. Dr.  
 George A. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Andrew Kings-  
 bury.  
 Reorganized on: April 6, 1906, with 41  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 149.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: February 25, 1952.  
 Juvenile: Hebron Juvenile Grange No.  
 35. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona  
 Grange.

### KILLINGLY GRANGE No. 112

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Killingly was the 42nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and

received its name from Killingly Manor near Pontefract, York, England. Its Indian name is "Aspinock."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy G. T. Sanger.  
 Organized on: February 26, 1890, with  
 13 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 267.  
 Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: July 23, 1947.  
 Juvenile: Killingly Juvenile Grange No.  
 4, under first set of Juvenile Granges,  
 and Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 33  
 under the second set of Juvenile  
 Granges. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### HIGHLAND GRANGE No. 113

The name of this Grange was taken from the descriptive land about it. It is located in the village of South Killingly, in the Town of Killingly. Killingly was the 42nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Killingly Manor near Pontefract, York, England. Its Indian name is "Aspinock."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy G. T. Sanger.  
 Organized on: May 5, 1890, with 17  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 216.  
 Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: May 21, 1928.  
 Juvenile: Highland Juvenile Grange No.  
 15. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### WETHERSFIELD GRANGE No. 114

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Wethersfield was the 2nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Wethersfield, Essex, England. It was first named Watertown. The Indian name was "Pyquag."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy J. B. Noble.

Organized on: March 6, 1890, with 69  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 232.

Hall: Own. Dedicated September 30,  
1898 by S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Incorporated: Not Incorporated.

Juvenile: Wethersfield Juvenile Grange

No. 11, under the first set of Juvenile  
Granges. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### ROCKY HILL GRANGE No. 115

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Town where it was located.  
Rocky Hill was the 141st Town to be  
established in the State of Connecticut  
and received its name from rocky, hilly  
terrain. It was formerly known as  
Stepney Parish.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A.  
Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy J. B. Noble.

Organized on: April 9, 1890, with 20  
Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1899 under S.M. B. C.  
Patterson.

Reorganized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.

January 1, 1953, membership, 147.

Hall: Own. Dedicated December 1921.

Incorporated: February 8, 1912.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### BRISTOL GRANGE No. 116

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Town where it was located.  
Bristol was the 83rd Town to be estab-  
lished in the State of Connecticut and  
received its name from Bristol, England.  
It was formerly known as New Cam-  
bridge.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A.  
Bowen.

Organized by: S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Organized on: April 16, 1890, with 33  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 223.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: April 2, 1951.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### UNITY GRANGE No. 117

The name of this Grange was given  
as the meaning of the word implies. It  
is located in the village of Deep River  
in the Town of Saybrook. Saybrook  
was the 4th Town to be established in  
the State of Connecticut and received  
its name from Lord Say and Sale, and  
Baron Brook. The Indian name is "Pat-  
taquasset."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A.  
Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy H. C. Dunham.

Organized on: May 27, 1890, with 26  
Charter Members.

Disbanded July 1, 1924 under S. M.  
Minor Ives.

### BEACON GRANGE No. 118

The name of this Grange was sug-  
gested as an organization that would  
cast its beneficial light from the hilltop.  
It is located in the village of North-  
field, in the Town of Litchfield. Litch-  
field was the 50th Town to be estab-  
lished in the State of Connecticut and  
received its name from Litchfield, Staf-  
fordshire, England. The Indian name  
is "Bantam."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A.  
Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy G. C. Beckwith.

Organized on: October 14, 1890, with 28  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 169.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: October 21, 1931.

Juvenile: Beacon Juvenile Grange is  
being organized at the time of this  
writing.

Meets: Alternate Tuesday evenings.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona  
Grange.

### MORRIS GRANGE No. 119

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Town where it was located.



Morris was the 161st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from James Morris, a famous educator who was a resident and who owned the James Morris Academy.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy G. C. Beckwith.  
Organized on October 15, 1890, with 24 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 184.

Hall: Owned their own hall and gave property to Town for Town Hall. Now have life use of it.

Incorporated: November 30, 1928.

Juvenile: Morris Juvenile Grange No. 22. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

#### MADISON GRANGE No. 120

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Madison was the 128th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from President James Madison. It was formerly known as East Guilford.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: G. A. Hopson.

Organized on: October 20, 1890, with 29 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1905 under S.M. O. S. Wood.

Reorganized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.

Reorganized by: Deputy Theodore White.  
Reorganized on: March 25, 1940, with 49 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 137.

Hall: Own. Dedicated May 27, 1951 by Ira F. Wilcox.

Incorporated: February 14, 1946.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

#### BETHLEHEM GRANGE No. 121

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located.

Bethlehem was the 97th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Hebrew, meaning house of bread.

Organized under S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.  
Organized by: Deputy G. C. Beckwith.  
Organized on: January 6, 1891, with 34 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 187.

Hall: Free Use.

Incorporated: September 26, 1945.

Juvenile: Bethlehem Juvenile Grange

No. 41. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

#### WATERTOWN GRANGE No. 122

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Watertown was the 79th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Waterbury from whence it was set off from, suggesting it was a town in Waterbury. It was formerly known as Westbury.

Organized under S.M. Dr. G. A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy G. C. Beckwith.

Organized on: January 28, 1891, with 104 Charter Members.

Disbanded on January 17, 1922, under S.M. A. B. Cook.

Reorganized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.

Reorganized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.

Reorganized on: February 16, 1940, with 40 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 117.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: October 3, 1945.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

#### WESTBROOK GRANGE No. 123

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Westbrook was the 139th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being the west part of Saybrook from whence it was set off from. Its Indian name is "Pochaug."



Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy Henry C. Dunham.  
 Organized on: February 23, 1891, with 22 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded on October 6, 1913, under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Deputy George C. Beck-with.  
 Organized on: March 20, 1891, with 29 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded in 1921, under S.M. Frank E. Blakeman.

#### PLEASANT VALLEY GRANGE No. 126

The name of this Grange was taken from the name of the locality where this Grange was formed. It was located in the Town of Woodbury. Woodbury was the 23rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being well wooded. The Indian name is "Pomperaug."

Reorganized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Myron Miller.  
 Reorganized on: November 22, 1933, with 22 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 154.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: January 7, 1939.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy George C. Beck-with.  
 Organized on: May 5, 1891, with 56 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded 1916, under S.M. Charles Davis.

#### HIGGANUM GRANGE No. 124

The name of this Grange was taken from the name of the village where this Grange was located. This Grange is located in the Town of Haddam and was the 20th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Much Haddam Parish in Hertfordshire, England.

#### GOOD WILL GRANGE No. 127

The name of this Grange was chosen because the members wished Good Will to exist between their newly formed Grange and the older Glastonbury Grange that was in the Town at that time. This Grange is located in the Town of Glastonbury. Glastonbury was the 33rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Glastonbury, in Somersetshire, England.

Organized under S. M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by Deputy Henry C. Dunham.  
 Organized on: March 6, 1891, with 21 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 124.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: May 20, 1952.  
 Juvenile: Higganum Juvenile No. 59.  
 See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

#### HOLLENBECK GRANGE No. 125

The name of this Grange was taken from the German name of the Valley in that locality. This Grange was located in the Town of Canaan. Canaan was the 60th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Bible, meaning—lowland.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy George Hopson.  
 Organized on: October 14, 1891, with 45 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 157.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated July 29, 1930 by L. G. Tolles.  
 Incorporated: November 7, 1929.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

**ORANGE GRANGE No. 128**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Orange was the 125th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from William of Orange (III of England). It was formerly known as North Milford.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy George A. Hopson.

Organized on: December 18, 1891, with 24 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1921 under S.M. Frank Blakeman.

**POHTATUCK GRANGE No. 129**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indian name for Newtown. The region around this area was called Pootatuck by the Indians. This Grange is located in the Town of Newtown. Newtown was the 45th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being a new town.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.

Organized on: March 9, 1892, with 18 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 138.

Hall: Own. Dedicated June 27, 1944.

Incorporated: April 4, 1944.

Juvenile: Pohtatuck Juvenile Grange No. 61. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

**FARMILL RIVER GRANGE No. 130**

The name of this Grange was taken from a Mill, which was originally located in the Town of Stratford. It was the Far Mill in this Town. Later this portion of the Town was set off from Stratford and was called Huntington. Huntington was named for Gov. Samuel Huntington. Name changed by Act of Legislature in 1919 to Shelton. Shelton

was the 101st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut.

Shelton was named for Edward N. Shelton, a leader in the Housatonic Dam project. This was also formerly known as Ripton Parish.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.

Organized on: March 17, 1892, with 26 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 84.

Hall: Own; dedicated June 11th, 1937 by F. H. Peet.

Incorporated: February 10, 1930.

Juvenile: Farmill River Juvenile No. 2; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Saturdays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

**COLUMBIA GRANGE No. 131**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Columbia was the 113th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received the poetic name for the United States.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Charles B. Reed.

Organized on: March 28, 1892, with 35 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 190.

Hall: Life Use.

Incorporated: Not incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona Grange.

**WICHITA GRANGE No. 132**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians who lived in that locality. This Grange is located in the Town of Warren. Warren was the 92nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from General Joseph Warren.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy George C. Beck-with.

Organized on: April 7, 1892, with 24 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 205.  
 Hall: Life Use.  
 Incorporated: Not incorporated.  
 Juvenile: Wichita Juvenile Grange No. 25; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

### GREENFIELD HILL GRANGE No. 133

The name of this Grange was descriptive of that section where it was organized. It was the name of the village in the Town of Fairfield. Fairfield was the 9th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being a fair field, also from Fairfield in Kent, England. The Indian name is "Uncoway."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.  
 Organized on: January 23, 1893, with 18 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 221.  
 Hall: Own. 1st dedication June 19, 1898. Rededicated October 1931 by Sarah Curtis.  
 Incorporated: January 20, 1897.  
 Juvenile: Greenfield Hill Juvenile No. 37; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

### TRUMBULL GRANGE No. 134

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Trumbull was the 106th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Gov. Jonathan Trumbull (1st Gov. Trumbull). It was formerly known as North Stratford and before that as the Parish of Unity.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.  
 Organized on: February 3, 1893, with 21 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 151.

Hall: Own; dedicated December 21, 1929 by Minor Ives.  
 Incorporated: December 24, 1928.  
 Juvenile: Trumbull Juvenile Grange No. 8; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

### SILVER LAKE GRANGE No. 135

The name of this Grange was taken from a Lake that is located where this Grange was organized. This Grange is located in the Town of Sharon. Sharon was the 63rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name Hebrew meaning plain.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy L. G. Humphreyville.  
 Organized on: January 31, 1893, with 18 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 120.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: July 7, 1947.  
 Juvenile: Silver Lake Juvenile No. 45; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

### EAST CANAAN GRANGE No. 136

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it was located. This Grange is located in the Town of North Canaan. North Canaan was the 160th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being the north portion of the Town of Canaan from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy L. G. Humphreyville.  
 Organized on: October 17, 1893, with 21 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded on July 11, 1923 under S.M. Allen B. Cook.



# SUBORDINATE GRANGES

## WILLINGTON GRANGE No. 137

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Willington was the 54th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name Wellington from Wellington in Somersetshire (birthplace of Henry Wolcott, whose grandson Roger was chief purchaser) which gave title to Duke of Wellington, but was named Willington in 1727.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy Charles B. Reed.

Organized on: November 28, 1893, with 15 Charter Members.

Disbanded on December 29, 1898, under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

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Reorganized under S. M. Leonard H. Healey.

Reorganized by: 1911, with

Reorganized Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1921, under S.M. Frank E. Blakeman.

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## NORTH STONINGTON GRANGE No. 138

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. North Stonington was the 118th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the north portion of Stonington from whence it was set off from. Stonington received its name from being known as "Souther Towne" in Massachusetts. Its name was descriptive. The Indian names of this were "Pawcatuck" and "Mistack."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: H. W. Morse.

Organized on: December 22, 1893, with 32 Charter Members.

Disbanded on January 16, 1899, under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Reorganized under S.M. Leonard H. Healey.

Reorganized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.

Reorganized on: January 11, 1908, with 40 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 274.

Hall: own.

Incorporated: May 4, 1910.

Juvenile: North Stonington Juvenile

Grange under first set of Juvenile

Granges; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

## MIDDLEBURY GRANGE No. 139

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Middlebury was the 117th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It was formed from Southbury, Woodbury and Waterbury and received its name from its position.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy Hubert F. Potter.

Organized on: December 27, 1893, with 30 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 237.

Hall: Free Use.

Incorporated: April 22, 1948.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: Alternate Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

## PLAINFIELD GRANGE No. 140

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Plainfield was the 35th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. Its name is descriptive.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy N. G. Williams.

Organized on: February 16, 1894, with 50 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 236.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: September 4, 1930 and November 8, 1948.

Juvenile: Plainfield Juvenile Grange No. 65; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.



**BROOKFIELD GRANGE No. 141**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Brookfield was the 100th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Thomas Brooks, first pastor. It was formerly known as Newbury.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized by: James H. Blakeman.  
Organized on: March 7, 1894, with 16 Charter Members.  
Disbanded on December 2, 1907 under S.M. O. S. Wood.

**ROCK RIMMON GRANGE No. 142**

The name of this Grange was taken from the mountains that lie in the southeastern part of the Town. This Grange is located in the Town of Beacon Falls. Beacon Falls was the 165th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. Its name is descriptive.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized by: Deputy Hubert F. Potter.  
Organized on: April 6, 1894, with 25 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 110.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: September 26, 1946.  
Juvenile: Rock Rimmon Juvenile Grange No. 36; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

**GOSHEN GRANGE No. 143**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Goshen was the 61st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Goshen, Egypt.  
Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized by: Deputy L. G. Humphreyville.  
Organized on: September 1, 1894, with 69 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 108.

Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: September 26, 1934.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

**PROSPECT GRANGE No. 144**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Prospect was the 129th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as a fine lookout place. It was formerly known as Columbia Parish.

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized by: Deputy Hubert F. Potter.  
Organized on: December 10, 1884, with 23 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 270.  
Hall: Own; dedicated October 14, 1949 by Sidney Hall.  
Incorporated: December 9, 1933.  
Juvenile: Prospect Juvenile Grange No. 31; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

**RIPPOWAM GRANGE No. 145**

The name of this Grange was taken from the River that flows through this Town. This Grange is located in the Town of Stamford. Stamford was the 11th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Stamford, Lincolnshire, England. The Indian name is "Rippowam."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.  
Organized by: Deputy James H. Blake-man.  
Organized on: March 1, 1895, with 18 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 142.  
Hall: Free Use.  
Incorporated: May 8, 1937.  
Juvenile: Rippowam Juvenile Grange No 70; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

## SUBORDINATE GRANGES

## NORFIELD GRANGE No. 146

The name of this Grange was taken from the village where it was located. This Grange is in the Town of Weston. Weston was the 99th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named from being the west town or settlement of the Town of Fairfield from whence it was set off from. It was formerly known as Northfield, Norfield being a shortening of that name. The Indian name is "Aspetuck."

Organized under S.M. Dr. George A. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy James Blakeman.  
Organized on: January 6, 1896, with 17 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 144.

Hall: Own; burned in 1951, August 12th.

Incorporated: October 16, 1951.

Juvenile: Norfield Juvenile No. 3; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

## LYME GRANGE No. 147

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. It is located in the village of Hamburg in the Town of Lyme. Lyme was the 18th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Lyme Regis in Dorsetshire, England. It was formerly known as East Saybrook.

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy Samuel Chalker.

Organized on: April 9, 1896, with 22 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 226.

Hall: Own. Dedicated in 1898.

Incorporated: April 11, 1947.

Juvenile: Lyme Juvenile Grange No. 8 under first set of Juvenile Granges; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

## WESTPORT GRANGE No. 148

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Westport was the 134th Town to be es-

tablished in the State of Connecticut and the name is descriptive of the place. The Indian name is "Saugatuck."

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Organized by: Simon C. Bradley.

Organized on: May 4, 1896, with 42 Charter Members.

Disbanded on March 16, 1910, under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Reorganized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Reorganized by: Frank E. Blakeman.

Reorganized on: 1911. with 23 Charter Members.

March 1, 1912 voted to merge with Housatonic Grange No. 79.

Disbanded May 1, 1912, under S.M. B. A. Peck.

## EASTON GRANGE No. 149

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Easton was the 143rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut as being the east part of Weston from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.

Organized by: Deputy S. C. Bradley.

Organized on: March 9, 1897, with 35 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 133.

Hall: Own; dedicated June 9, 1915, destroyed by fire.

Hall: Own; dedicated August 31, 1933, by L. G. Tolles.

Incorporated: March 31, 1914.

Juvenile: Easton Juvenile No. 44; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

## WOODSTOCK GRANGE No. 150

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Woodstock was the 31st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Woodstock, Oxfordshire, England. It was first named New Roxbury, Massachusetts but set off to Connecticut in 1749.

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.  
 Organized by: S.M. S. O. Bowen.  
 Organized on: May 8, 1897, with 26  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded on May 30, 1918, under S.M.  
 Frank Blakeman.

#### ENFIELD GRANGE No. 151

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. This Grange is located in the Village of Hazardville. Enfield was the 26th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It was first called Enfield by Massachusetts, from Enfield in Middlesex, England. Annexed to Connecticut in May 1749. It was formerly known also as Freshwater.

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Massachusetts Deputy  
 Frank Plumb.  
 Organized on: March 10, 1899, with 151  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1943, membership, 168.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: September 11, 1952.  
 Juvenile: none.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.  
 Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona  
 Grange.

#### CANNON GRANGE No. 152

The name of this Grange was taken from the Historic Cannon in Cannondale. This Grange is located in the Town of Wilton. Wilton was the 110th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Wilton in Wiltshire, England.

Organized under S.M. S. O. Bowen.  
 Organized by: Deputy I. C. Fanton.  
 Organized on: May 4, 1899, with 52  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded under S.M.

Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: March 4, 1933.  
 Juvenile: none.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona  
 Grange.

#### BRIDGEWATER GRANGE No. 153

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bridgewater was the 157th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and its name is descriptive.

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
 Organized by: State Overseer Iverson  
 C. Fanton.  
 Organized on: March 14, 1900, with 30  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 90.  
 Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: August 30, 1937.  
 Juvenile: none.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona  
 Grange.

#### KENT GRANGE No. 154

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Kent was the 62nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Kent County, England. The Indian name is "Scata-cook."

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
 Organized by: State Lecturer F. S.  
 Hopson.  
 Organized on: November 15, 1900, with  
 29 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 181.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: April 18, 1949.  
 Juvenile: none.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona  
 Grange.

#### NEW FAIRFIELD GRANGE No. 155

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it was located. New Fairfield Grange is located in the Town of Westport. Westport was the

Reorganized under S.M. Allen B. Cook.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Charles Lacey.  
 Reorganized on: June 29, 1922, with 15  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 101.



134rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and its name is descriptive. The Indian name is "Saugatuck."

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by: Deputy H. W. Andrews.  
Organized on: January 4, 1901, with 13 Charter Members.  
Disbanded about 1914.

### DANBURY GRANGE No. 156

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Danbury was the 29th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It was named by Gov. Treat for Danbury Parish in Essex, England. It was formerly known as "Swampfield." The Indian name was "Paquige" or "Pah-quioque."

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by: Deputy H. W. Andrews.  
Organized on: March 27, 1903, with 14 Charter Members  
January 1, 1953, membership, 174.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: September 24, 1951.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

### EAST LYME GRANGE No. 157

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. East Lyme was the 138th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from being the eastern portion of Lyme from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by: State Lecturer F. S. Hopson.  
Organized on: May 14, 1903, with 21 Charter Members.  
Disbanded

Reorganized under S.M. Frank Blakeman.  
Reorganized by: Allen B. Cook.  
Reorganized on: December 17, 1920, with 32 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1928 under S.M. Minor Ives.

### CHESTER GRANGE No. 158

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Chester was the 135th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Chester in Cheshire, England. Its Indian name was "Pattaquonk."

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by: Deputy Samuel Webb.  
Organized on: May 11, 1903, with 26 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 80.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: September 12, 1951.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

### SALISBURY GRANGE No. 159

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Salisbury was the 67th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named by Rev. Thomas Noyes for Salisbury, in Wiltshire, England. Its Indian name is "Weatogue."

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by: Deputy H. S. Morehouse.  
Organized on: October 29, 1903, with 22 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 109.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: Not incorporated.  
Juvenile: Salisbury Juvenile Grange No. 24; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona

### ASPETUCK VALLEY GRANGE No. 160

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians of that area. It is located in the Town of New Milford. New Milford was the 47th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being new when set off from Milford. Its Indian name is "Weantinock" or "Weantinogue."



Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: State Steward Frederick Johnson.  
 Organized on: February 26, 1904, with 31 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded July 10, 1929, under S.M. Minor Ives.

### BOZRAH GRANGE No. 161

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bozrah was the 86th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Hebrew, meaning enclosure. It was formerly known as New Concord.

Organized under S. M. O. S. Wood  
 Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
 Organized on: June 2, 1904, with 14 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 108.  
 Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: Not incorporated.  
 Juvenile: None  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

### OLD LYME GRANGE No. 162

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Old Lyme was the 155th Town to be established. It was first known as South Lyme and in 1857 became Old Lyme.

Organized under S. M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy S. P. Sterling.  
 Organized on: December 13, 1905, with 34 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 248.  
 Hall: Own.  
 Incorporated: September 16, 1948.  
 Juvenile: Old Lyme Juvenile No. 46. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

### REDDING GRANGE No. 163

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Redding was the 70th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It

was named for Col. John Read.

Organized under 1st State Grange Master Harvy Godard as No. 15.  
 Organized by: National Deputy Levi Hubbard of Iowa.  
 Disbanded about 1877.

Reorganized under S. M. O. S. Wood, as No. 163.

Reorganized by: Deputy W. J. Wood.  
 Reorganized on: March 7, 1906, with 32 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded in 1923, under S. M. Allen Cook.

Reorganized under S. M. Edgar L. Tucker, as No. 15.

Reorganized by: Deputy Harold A. Brundage.

Reorganized on: June 26, 1939, with 53 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 123.

Hall: Own

Incorporated: September 30, 1940.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

### BETHEL GRANGE No. 164

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bethel was the 154th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. The name was taken from the Hebrew meaning the House of God.

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy W. J. Wood.  
 Organized on: May 3, 1906, with 17 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded in 1931 under S.M. L. G. Tolles.

### RIDGEFIELD GRANGE No. 165

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Ridgefield was the 43rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named from its ridges. Indian name "Caudatowa."

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy Frank E. Blake-  
 man.  
 Organized on: December 21, 1906, with  
 23 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 87.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: Not incorporated.  
 Juvenile: Ridgefield Juvenile Grange No.  
 1. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.  
 Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona  
 Grange.

### SALEM GRANGE No. 166

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Town where it was located.  
 Salem was the 121st Town to be estab-  
 lished in the State of Connecticut and  
 was named for Salem, Mass. Salem is  
 the Hebrew word meaning Peace. It  
 was formerly known as New Salem.

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
 Organized on: April 12, 1907, with 26  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded under S.M.

Reorganized under S.M. Allen Cook.  
 Reorganized by: Allen Cook.  
 Reorganized on: January 31, 1922, with  
 34 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 77.  
 Hall: Rent.  
 Incorporated: October 1, 1951.  
 Juvenile: Salem Juvenile Grange No. 66.  
 See Juvenile Grange Listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Monday.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
 mona Grange.

### LEDYARD GRANGE No. 167

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Town where it was located.  
 Ledyard was the 136th Town to be es-  
 tablished in the State of Connecticut  
 and was named from Col. Wm. Ledyard,  
 commander of Fort Griswold, Groton.  
 It was formerly known as North Gorton.

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
 Organized on: April 19, 1907, with 21

### Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 230.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated, April 19, 1929.  
 Incorporated: January 10, 1941.  
 Juvenile: Ledyard Juvenile Grange No.  
 58. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
 mona Grange.

### STONINGTON GRANGE No. 168

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the Town where it was located.  
 Stonington was the 15th Town to be  
 established in the State of Connecticut  
 and was named "Souther Towne" by  
 Massachusetts in 1658. It was called  
 Stonington by Connecticut in 1666. The  
 Indian name was "Pawcatuck."

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood..  
 Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
 Organized on: July 5, 1907, with 17  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 144.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated on July 5, 1933.  
 Incorporated: June 7, 1933.  
 Juvenile: Stonington Juvenile Grange  
 No. 16. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
 mona Grange.

### RIVERTON GRANGE No. 169

The name of this Grange was taken  
 from the fact that two branches of the  
 Farmington River converge in this Vil-  
 lage. Riverton is located in the Town  
 of Barkhamsted. Barkhamsted was the  
 75th Town to be established in the State  
 of Connecticut and was named for Berk-  
 hamsted in Hertfordshire, England.

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy J. H. Putnam.  
 Organized on: January 3, 1908, with 36  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 162.  
 Hall: Own. Dedicated December 7,  
 1934, by F. H. Peet.  
 Incorporated: September 24, 1934.  
 Juvenile: Riverton Juvenile Grange No.  
 62. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
 Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona  
 Grange.

**WEMANESA GRANGE No. 170**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians of that area. It is located in the Village of Gaylordsville, Town of New Milford. New Milford was the 47th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It was called New Milford as the newest part being set off from the Town of Milford. Its Indian names were "Weantinock" or "Weantinogue."

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy G.A. Vincent.  
Organized on: March 9, 1908, with 28 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 111.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: June 18, 1938.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

**MYSTIC GRANGE No. 171**

The name of this Grange was taken from the name of the Village where it was located. Mystic Village is located both in the towns of Groton and Stonington. Groton was the 40th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for the English home Town of Gov. John Winthrop. Mystic Grange obtained special permission to have its Hall at one time in the Town of Stonington. One of the Indian names of Stonington was "Mistack," so Mystic came from that name.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
Organized on: August 20, 1908, with 32 Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1917, under S.M. Charles Davis.

Reorganized under S.M. Frank Blakeman.  
Reorganized by: Deputy E. Frank White.  
Reorganized on: March 13, 1919, with 14 Charter Members.  
Disbanded in January 1921, under S.M. Frank E. Blakeman.

Reorganized under S.M. Allen Cook.  
Reorganized by: Charles M. Adams.  
Reorganized on: November 1924, with 73 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 166.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: March 8, 1926.  
Juvenile: Mystic Juvenile No. 40. No. 40 became No. 17. See Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

**NORWICH GRANGE No. 172**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. This Grange is located in the Village of Norwichtown. Norwich was the 17th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Norwich, in Norfolk, England. The Indian name was "Mohegan."

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.  
Organized on: September 10, 1908, with 50 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 250.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: May 20, 1929.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.  
Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

**WOLCOTT GRANGE No. 173**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Wolcott was the 104th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for Gov. Oliver Wolcott.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy F. M. Candee.  
Organized on: March 17, 1909, with 24 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 237.  
Hall: Own. Dedicated, February 4, 1924.  
Incorporated: December 18, 1937.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.  
Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.



**TORRINGTON GRANGE No. 174**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it was located. It is located in the Town of Torrington. Torrington was the 66th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name Torrington in Devonshire, England.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy Tunis Good-enough.

Organized on: March 18, 1909, with 31 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 295.

Hall: Own. Dedicated December 18, 1910.

Incorporated: September 3, 1937.

Juvenile: Torrington Juvenile Grange

No. 68. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

**LAKE VALLEY GRANGE No. 175**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Lake in the Valley in the Hills of Sherman. Sherman was the 111th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Roger Sherman.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized on: May 14, 1909, with 24 Charter Members.

Disbanded under S.M. Frank H. Peet in 1936.

**GROTON GRANGE No. 176**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Groton was the 40th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for the English home town of Gov. John Winthrop.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.

Organized on: May 27, 1909, with 32 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 160.

Hall: Own; dedicated June 20, 1950 by

S. Hall.

Incorporated: February 9, 1949.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

**HADDAM NECK GRANGE No. 177**

The name of this Grange was taken from that portion of Haddam known as the Neck. Haddam was the 20th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Much Haddam Parish in Hertfordshire, England.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy E. B. Lynde.

Organized on: June 3, 1910, with 36 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 92.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

**MONTVILLE GRANGE No. 178**

The name of this Grange was named for the Town where it was located. Montville was the 95th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Frenchmount ville.

Organized under S.M. L.H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.

Organized on: November 11, 1910, with 26 Charter Members.

Disbanded on May 25, 1915, under S.M. J. A. Sherwood.

**AVON GRANGE No. 179**

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Avon was the 130th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Avon River at Stratford-on-Avon in England. It was formerly known as Northington.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.

Organized by: Deputy Allen Cook.



Organized on: December 21, 1910, with  
72 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 98.  
Hall: Rent.  
Incorporated: Not Incorporated.  
Juvenile: None.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.  
Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Po-  
mona Grange.

### ECHO GRANGE No. 180

The name of this Grange was taken from the Lake in this Town. When one calls from one shore the echo returns plainly. This Grange is located in the village of Mansfield Center in the Town of Mansfield. Mansfield was the 37th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Major Moses Mansfield. It was formerly known as "Ponde-town." The Indian name is "Noubesetuck."

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: L. H. Healey.  
Organized on: February 6, 1911, with  
49 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 309.  
Hall: Own.  
Incorporated: August 19, 1926.  
Juvenile: none.  
Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.  
Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

### MEADOW BROOK GRANGE No. 181

The name of this Grange was taken as a descriptive name for the surrounding area. It is located in the Town of Windham. Windham was the 32nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for Windham in Sussex, England.

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Charles A. Wheeler.  
Organized on: March 27, 1911, with 35  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded October 24, 1919, under S.M.  
Frank E. Blakeman.

### HEMLOCK GRANGE No. 182

The name of this Grange was taken from the materials the Hall was made

from. Both the work and the materials were donated to the Fife and Drum Corps of Portland. When the Grange was organized it was the Hall the Grange had and the name of the Grange was taken because of the hemlock lumber in the construction of the Hall. It is located in the Town of Portland. Portland was the 140th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for Portland, Dorsetshire, England, famed for its quarries. It was formerly known as Conway.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Charles T. Davis.  
Organized on: December 7, 1912, with  
75 Charter Members.  
January 1, 1953, membership, 332.  
Hall: Owned.  
Incorporated: June 22, 1936.  
Juvenile: Hemlock Juvenile Grange No.  
64; see Juvenile Grange listing.  
Meets: Alternate Fridays.  
Jurisdiction: Central Pomona Grange.

### DARIEN GRANGE No. 183

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Darien was the 122nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. It was named for the Isthmus of Darien. It was formerly known as the Parish of Middlesex.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Frank E. Blakeman.  
Organized on: March 28, 1913, with 21  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1919, under S.M.  
Frank E. Blakeman.

### FRANKLIN GRANGE No. 184

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Franklin was the 88th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Benjamin Franklin.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Deputy C. E. Staples.

Organized on: May 17, 1913, with 17  
 Charter Members.  
 January 1, 1953, membership, 202.  
 Hall: Free use of.  
 Incorporated: Not Incorporated.  
 Juvenile: None.  
 Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.  
 Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

#### POMPERAUG GRANGE No. 185

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians in this area. It is located in the Town of Southbury. Southbury was the 98th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being the South portion of Woodbury from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Deputy Wilson L. Pierpont.

Organized on: September 4, 1914, with 20 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 281.

Hall: Have use of it.

Incorporated: Not incorporated.

Juvenile: Pomperaug Juvenile Grange No. 9; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

#### SHELTON GRANGE No. 186

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Shelton was the 101st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for Edward Shelton who was prominent in the Housatonic Dam project. It was formerly named Huntington. Also known as the Parish of Rip-ton. Indian name is "Quorum."

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized on: October 12, 1914, with 52 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 84.

Hall: Own; dedicated June 10, 1932 by L. G. Tolles.

Incorporated: September 8, 1930.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

#### HARTLAND GRANGE No. 187

This Grange was located in the Village of West Hartland and received its name from the Town where it was located. Hartland was the 69th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Hart(ford)land as this territory was owned by men from Hartford.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: Deputy Charles H. Twing.

Organized on: February 15, 1915, with 13 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1923 under S. M. Allen Cook.

#### BETHANY GRANGE No. 188

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Bethany was the 132nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and its name was taken from the Hebrew meaning house of dates.

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sherwood.

Organized by: State Lecturer Frank E. Blakeman.

Organized on: April 30, 1915, with 36 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 180.

Hall: Free use of.

Incorporated: not incorporated.

Juvenile: Bethany Juvenile Grange No. 6; see Juvenile Grange Listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.

#### VICTORY GRANGE No. 189

The name of this Grange was taken from the Victory of World War I. It is located in the Village of Robertsville, in the Town of Colebrook. Colebrook was the 76th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name Colebrooke, in Devonshire, England.

Organized under S.M. Frank E. Blake-man.

Organized by: Deputy E. J. Busby.

Organized on: April 30, 1919, with 30 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 330.

Hall: Own. Dedicated April 27, 1939 by Edgar L. Tucker.

Incorporated: April 25, 1929.

Juvenile: Victory Juvenile Grange No. 42; see Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona Grange.

#### METICHEWAN GRANGE No. 190

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians from this area. It is located in the Village of Still River in the Town of New Milford. New Milford was the 47th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being that New portion of Milford, from whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. Frank E. Blake-man.

Organized by: Frank H. Peet.

Organized on: May 7, 1920, with 42 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 261.

Hall: Own. Dedicated June 5, 1922 by Charles A. Wheeler.

Incorporated: September 26, 1929.

Juvenile: Metichewan Juvenile Grange No. 19; see Juvenile Grange Listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange.

#### POKONO GRANGE No. 191

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians in this area, Pokono being the Indian name of a stream flowing through the town. It is located in the Town of Brookfield. Brookfield was the 100th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Rev. Thomas Brooks, its first pastor. It was formerly known as Newbury.

Organized under S.M. Frank E. Blake-man.

Organized by: Deputy A. Benjamin Brundage.

Organized on: December 30, 1920, with 32 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 110.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: June 1, 1932.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Fairfield County Pomona Grange.

#### MILLVILLE GRANGE No. 192

The name of this Grange was taken from a section of Naugatuck known for its Mills. Naugatuck was the 142nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and is the Algonkin name for one tree. It was originally known as South Farms of Waterbury and has been known as Salem Parish and Salem Bridge.

Organized under S.M. Allen Cook.

Organized by: Deputy Arthur Greene.

Organized on: July 20, 1922, with 33 Charter Members.

Disbanded in 1926 under S.M. Minor Ives.

#### GRANBY GRANGE No. 193

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. It is located in the Village of North Granby. Granby was the 93rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Marquis of Granby (Charles Manners) or perhaps from Granby, Massachusetts. This Grange was originally No. 5.

Reorganized under S.M. Minor Ives.

Reorganized by Deputy Harvey Ford.

Reorganized on: October 26, 1926, with 20 Charter Members.

Took the No. 5 again; see No. 5 for other information.

#### OXFORD GRANGE No. 194

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Oxford was the 107th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Oxford Parish in England.



Took place of Grange No. 102 upon re-organization.

Reorganized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Emerson J. Leonard.

Reorganized on: May 10, 1928, with 46 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 194.

Hall: Own. Dedicated Jan. 1, 1930, by Minor Ives.

Incorporated: June 17, 1929.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Excelsior Pomona Grange.

### LISBON GRANGE No. 195

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Lisbon was the 91st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and was named for Lisbon, the capitol of Portugal. Formerly known as Newent Parish.

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.

Organized by: Deputy John P. Hollowell.

Organized on: March 1, 1929, with 76 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 275.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: January 31, 1951.

Juvenile: Lisbon Juvenile Grange No. 47. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Fridays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Pomona Grange.

### WINDSOR GRANGE No. 196

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Windsor was the first Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Windsor, England, a Royal residence.

Reorganized as No. 196 and took No. 2. Reorganized under S.M. Minor Ives.

Reorganized by: Deputy L. E. Stoughton.

Reorganized on: December 13, 1929, with 78 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 222.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: July 21, 1949.

Juvenile: none.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

### SIMSBURY GRANGE No. 197

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Simsbury was the 21st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Sim(on) Wolcott, leading settler.

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.

Organized by: Deputy Carl R. Lane.

Organized on: September 28, 1931, with 61 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 266.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: December 6, 1933.

Juvenile: Simsbury Juvenile Grange No.

56. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

### OLD SAYBROOK GRANGE No. 198

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Old Saybrook was the 151st Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being set off from Essex which was formerly known as Old Saybrook.

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.

Organized by: Deputy Carl R. Lane

Organized on: September 28, 1932, with 44 Charter Members

January 1, 1953, membership, 107.

Hall: Own; dedicated May 14, 1940.

Incorporated: December 20, 1939.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

### WEST SUFFIELD GRANGE No. 199

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it was located. West Suffield being the western portion of the Town of Suffield. Suffield was the 24th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as a slurring of "Southfield (Mass.), later Connecticut.



Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by Deputy L. E. Stoughton.  
Organized on: November 4, 1932, with  
47 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 155.

Hall: Lease.

Incorporated: May 25, 1933.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona  
Grange.

#### BRANFORD GRANGE No. 200

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Town where it was located.  
Branford was the 27th Town to be es-  
tablished in the State of Connecticut  
and received its name from Brentford in  
Middlesex, England. Indian name "To-  
toket."

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.

Organized by: Deputy Harry L. Page.

Organized on: March 23, 1933, with 52  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 208.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: March 24, 1948.

Juvenile: Branford Juvenile Grange No.

29. See Juvenile Grange Listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Po-  
mona Grange.

#### LAUREL GRANGE No. 201

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the State flower which blossoms  
in perfusion, especially at the time when  
this Grange was organized. It is lo-  
cated in the Town of North Canaan.  
North Canaan was the 160th Town to  
be established in the State of Connecti-  
cut and received its name as being the  
northern portion of Canaan from  
whence it was set off from.

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.

Organized by: Deputy Floyd Laird.

Organized: June 29, 1936, with 38 Char-  
ter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 126.

Hall: Own.

Incorporated: November 12, 1937.

Juvenile: Laurel Juvenile Grange No. 57.

See Juvenile Grange listing.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Mountain County Pomona  
Grange.

#### HANOVER GRANGE No. 202

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Village where it is located in  
the Town of Sprague. Sprague was the  
162nd Town to be established in the  
State of Connecticut and received its  
name from William Sprague, village  
founder.

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.

Organized by: Sidney Hall.

Organized on: March 1, 1937, with 81  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 87.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not Incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: New London County Po-  
mona Grange.

#### PETTIPAUG GRANGE No. 203

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Indians from that area. It is  
located in the Town of Essex. Essex  
was the 150th Town to be established in  
the State of Connecticut and received  
its name from Essex, England. The  
Indian name is "Patapoug." Pettipaug  
is the varied spelling of that Indian  
name.

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.

Organized by: Deputy Myron Miller.

Organized on: November 2, 1937, with  
30 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 97.

Hall: Free use of.

Incorporated: September 4, 1947.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Sea View Pomona Grange.

#### FALLS VILLAGE GRANGE No. 204

The name of this Grange was taken  
from the Village where it was located.  
Falls Village gets its name from the  
Falls in the Housatonic River in this  
Village. This Grange is located in the  
Town of Canaan. Canaan was the 60th

Town to be established in the State of Connecticut. Its name comes from the Bible, meaning lowland.

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.  
Organized on: May 11, 1938, with 58  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 155.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: December 7, 1949.

Juvenile: Falls Village Juvenile Grange

No. 52. See Juvenile Grange Listing.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Mondays.

Jurisdiction: Housatonic Valley Pomona  
Grange.

#### MARLBOROUGH GRANGE No. 205

The name of this Grange was taken from the Town where it was located. Marlborough was the 112th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the Great Duke of Marlborough and Marlborough, Mass. Previously known as Eastbury and New Marlborough.

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.  
Organized on: April 11, 1940, with 32  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 109.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: March 6, 1947.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: East Central Pomona  
Grange.

#### OBWEBETUCK GRANGE No. 206

The name of this Grange was taken from the Indians from that area. It is located in the Village of South Windham. Windham was the 32nd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Windham in Sussex, England.

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.  
Organized on: May 8, 1940, with 30  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 155.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: December 27, 1949.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 2nd and 4th Fridays.

Jurisdiction: Quinebaug Pomona Grange.

#### CONNECTICUT RIVER GRANGE

No 207

The name of this Grange was taken from the Connecticut River that forms an eastern boundary of the Town where this Grange is located. Windsor Locks is the 153rd Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from the canal locks there. It was formerly known as Enfield Falls.

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Gerald Hayes.

Organized on January 2, 1941, with 35  
Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 70.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: Not Incorporated.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Wednesdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Po-  
mona Grange.

#### GREENWOODS GRANGE No. 208

The name of this Grange was taken from the name of the Village and mill dam where it was located. It is located in the Town of New Hartford which received its name as being the new part of Hartford from whence it was set off from. It was the 59th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut.

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.  
Organized on March 17, 1941, with 23  
Charter Members.

Disbanded by S. M. Harry L. Page on  
April 17, 1944.

#### HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN GRANGE

No. 209

The name of this Grange was taken from a mountain of that name, so-called because of its shape in the Town of Norfolk. Norfolk was the 68th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Norfolk County on the east coast of England.

Organized under S. M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Kingsley Beecher.

Organized on: May 1, 1941, with 30 Charter Members.

Juvenile: Haystack Mountain Juvenile Grange No. 48. See Juvenile Grange listing.

Disbanded on November 28, 1951 under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.

### CHERRY BROOK GRANGE No. 210

The name of this Grange was taken from the name of the brook that flows through this area. It was also a section where wild cherry blossoms bloomed in quantities. It is located in the Town of Canton. Canton was the 115th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name from Canton, China. It was formerly known as "Suffrage."

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.

Organized by: Deputy Henry McLaughlin.

Organized on: May 15, 1945, with 60 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 110.

Hall: Rent.

Incorporated: March 12, 1951.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

### SPOONVILLE GRANGE No. 211

The name of this Grange was taken from the Village where it is located. Spoonville received its name because spoons were manufactured here at one time. This Grange is located in the Town of East Granby. East Granby was the 159th Town to be established in the State of Connecticut and received its name as being East of Granby from which this Town was set off from.

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.

Organized on: September 1, 1953.

Organized by: Deputy E. Newton Peck, with 47 Charter Members.

As this goes to Press, membership is 47.

Hall: Rent.

Juvenile Grange: None.

Incorporated: Not as yet.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Jurisdiction: Farmington Valley Pomona Grange.

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Reorganized on: February 3, 1906, with 22 Charter Members.

January 1, 1953, membership, 181.

Hall: Own. Dedicated September 13, 1936 by F. H. Peet.

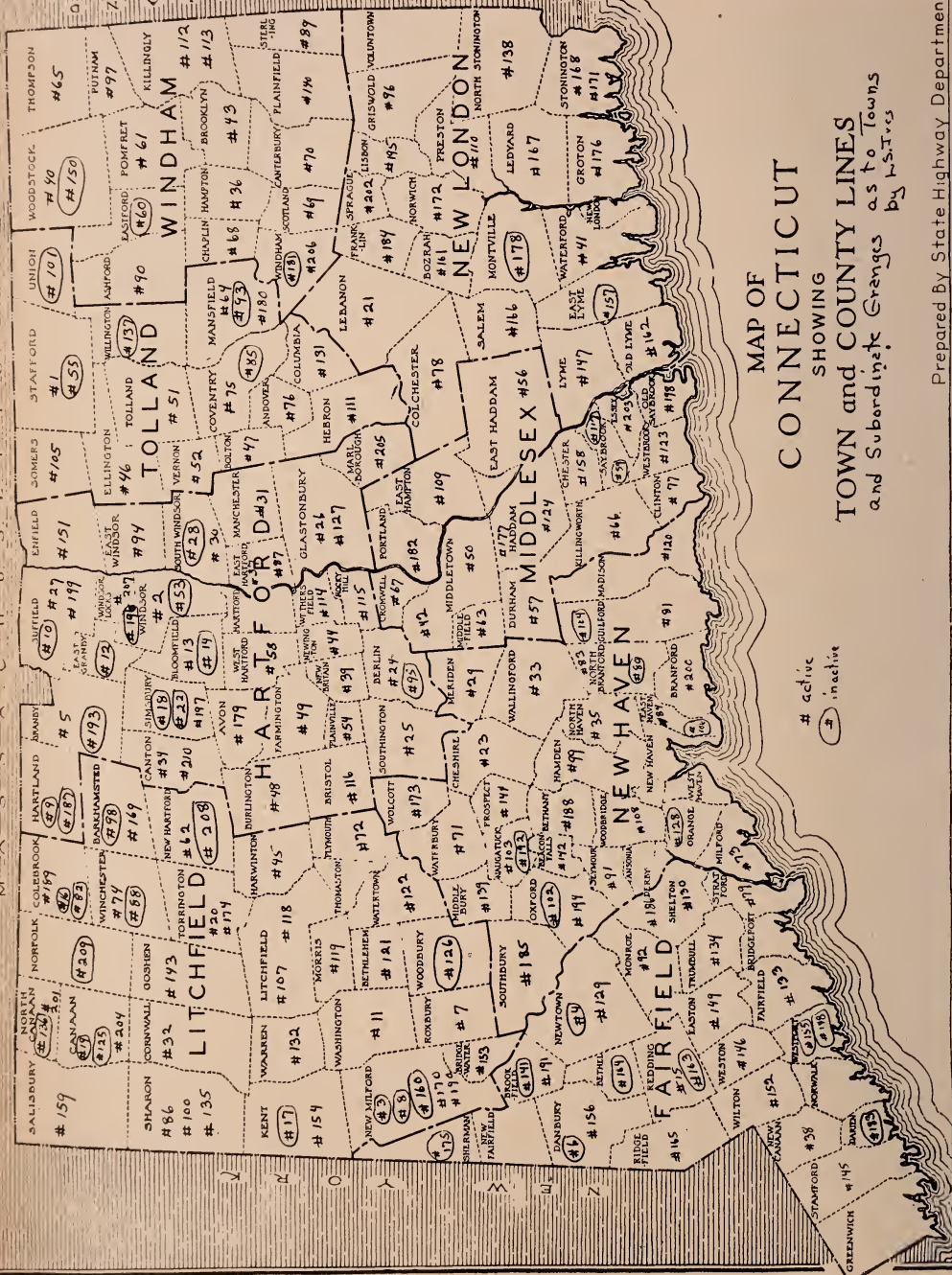
Incorporated: February 13, 1942.

Juvenile: None.

Meets: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.

Jurisdiction: New Haven County Pomona Grange.





MAP OF  
CONNECTICUT  
SHOWING  
TOWN and COUNTY LINES  
and Subordinate Granges  
as to Towns  
by U.S.T.C.



## KEY TO MAP

Stafford Grange No. 1  
 Windsor Grange No. 2  
 Lanesville Grange No. 3  
 Hawleyville Grange No. 4  
 Granby Grange No. 5  
 Danbury Grange No. 6  
 Roxbury Grange No. 7  
 Sherman Grange No. 8  
 Hartland Grange No. 9  
 West Suffield Grange No. 10  
 Washington Grange No. 11  
 East Granby Grange No. 12  
 Tunxis Grange No. 13  
 Bloomfield Grange No. 14  
 Redding Grange No. 15  
 Colebrook Grange No. 16  
 Kent Grange No. 17  
 Simsbury Grange No. 18  
 Housatonic Grange No. 19  
 Hope Grange No. 20  
 Lebanon Grange No. 21  
 Advance Grange No. 22  
 Cheshire Grange No. 23  
 Berlin Grange No. 24  
 Union Grange No. 25  
 Glastonbury Grange No. 26  
 Suffield Grange No. 27  
 South Windsor Grange No. 28  
 Meriden Grange No. 29  
 Wapping Grange No. 30  
 Manchester Grange No. 31  
 North Cornwall Grange No. 32  
     now Cornwall Grange No. 32  
 Wallingford Grange No. 33  
 Cawasa Grange No. 34  
 North Haven Grange No. 35  
 Little River Grange No. 36  
 East Hartford Grange No. 37  
 New Canaan Grange No. 38  
 Burrirt Grange No. 39  
 Senexet Grange No. 40  
 Konomoc Grange No. 41  
 Mattabessett Grange No. 42  
 Brooklyn Grange No. 43  
 Newington Grange No. 44  
 Harwinton Grange No. 45  
 Ellington Grange No. 46  
 Bolton Grange No. 47  
 Whigville Grange No. 48  
 Farmington Grange No. 49  
 Westfield Grange No. 50  
 Tolland Grange No. 51  
 Vernon Grange No. 52  
 Poquonock Grange No. 53  
 Plainville Grange No. 54  
 Stafford Grange No. 55

East Haddam Grange No. 56  
 Durham Grange No. 57  
 West Hartford Grange No. 58  
 Saybrook Grange No. 59  
 Crystal Lake Grange No. 60  
 Wolf Den Grange No. 61  
 Eureka Grange No. 62  
 Middlefield Grange No. 63  
 Mansfield Grange No. 64  
 Quinnatisset Grange No. 65  
 Killingworth Grange No. 66  
 Cromwell Grange No. 67  
 Natchaug Grange No. 68  
 Shetucket Grange No. 69  
 Canterbury Grange No. 70  
 Mad River Grange No. 71  
 Plymouth Grange No. 72  
 Indian River Grange No. 73  
 Winchester Grange No. 74  
 Coventry Grange No. 75  
 Andover Grange No. 76  
 Clinton Grange No. 77  
 Colchester Grange No. 78  
 Housatonic Grange No. 79  
 Northford Grange No. 80  
 Guilford Grange No. 81  
 Colebrook Grange No. 82  
 Totoket Grange No. 83  
 Foxon Grange No. 84  
 Wangumbaug Grange No. 85  
 Webutuck Grange No. 86  
 Hillstown Grange No. 87  
 Still River Grange No. 88  
 Ekonk Grange No. 89  
 Ashford Grange No. 90  
 Seymour Grange No. 91  
 Harmony Grange No. 92  
 Border Grange No. 93  
 East Windsor Grange No. 94  
 Percival Grange No. 95  
 Jewett City Grange No. 96  
     now Pachaug Grange No. 96  
 Putnam Grange No. 97  
 Barkhamsted Grange No. 98  
 Hamden Grange No. 99  
 Taghannuck Grange No. 100  
 Mashapaug Lake Grange No. 101  
 Oxford Grange No. 102  
 Beacon Valley Grange No. 103  
 North Guilford Grange No. 104  
 Somers Grange No. 105  
 East Haven Grange No. 106  
 Litchfield Grange No. 107  
 Woodbridge Grange No. 108  
 East Hampton Grange No. 109  
 Preston City Grange No. 110  
 Hebron Grange No. 111  
 Killingly Grange No. 112

- Highland Grange No. 113  
Wethersfield Grange, No. 114  
Rocky Hill Grange No. 115  
Bristol Grange No. 116  
Unity Grange No. 117  
Beacon Grange No. 118  
Morris Grange No. 119  
Madison Grange No. 120  
Bethlehem Grange No. 121  
Watertown Grange No. 122  
Westbrook Grange No. 123  
Higganum Grange No. 124  
Hollenbeck Grange No. 125  
Pleasant Valley Grange No. 126  
Good Will Grange No. 127  
Orange Grange No. 128  
Pohtatuck Grange No. 129  
Farmill River Grange No. 130  
Columbia Grange No. 131  
Wichita Grange No. 132  
Greenfield Hill Grange No. 133  
Trumbull Grange No. 134  
Silver Lake Grange No. 135  
East Canaan Grange No. 136  
Willington Grange No. 137  
North Stonington Grange No. 138  
Middlebury Grange No. 139  
Plainfield Grange No. 140  
Brookfield Grange No. 141  
Rock Rimmon Grange No. 142  
Goshen Grange No. 143  
Prospect Grange No. 144  
Rippowam Grange No. 145  
Norfield Grange No. 146  
Lyme Grange No. 147  
Westport Grange No. 148  
Easton Grange No. 149  
Woodstock Grange No. 150  
Enfield Grange No. 151  
Cannon Grange No. 152  
Bridgewater Grange No. 153  
Kent Grange No. 154  
New Fairfield Grange No. 155  
Danbury Grange No. 156  
East Lyme Grange No. 157  
Chester Grange No. 158  
Salisbury Grange No. 159  
Aspetuck Valley Grange No. 160  
Bozrah Grange No. 161  
Old Lyme Grange No. 162  
Redding Grange, No. 163  
Bethel Grange No. 164  
Ridgefield Grange No. 165  
Salem Grange No. 166  
Ledyard Grange No. 167  
Stonington Grange No. 168  
Riverton Grange No. 169  
Wemanesa Grange No. 170  
Mystic Grange No. 171  
Norwich Grange No. 172  
Wolcott Grange No. 173  
Torrington Grange No. 174  
Lake Valley Grange No. 175  
Groton Grange No. 176  
Haddam Neck Grange No. 177  
Montville Grange No. 178  
Avon Grange No. 179  
Echo Grange No. 180  
Meadow Brook Grange No. 181  
Hemlock Grange No. 182  
Darien Grange No. 183  
Franklin Grange No. 184  
Pomperaug Grange No. 185  
Shelton Grange No. 186  
Hartland Grange No. 187  
Bethany Grange No. 188  
Victory Grange No. 189  
Metichewan Grange No. 190  
Pokono Grange No. 191  
Millville Grange No. 192  
Granby Grange No. 193  
Oxford Grange No. 194  
Lisborn Grange No. 195  
Windsor Grange No. 196  
Simsbury Grange No. 197  
Old Syabrook Grange No. 198  
West Suffield Grange No. 199  
Branford Grange No. 200  
Laurel Grange No. 201  
Hanover Grange No. 202  
Pettipaug Grange No. 203  
Falls River Grange No. 204  
Marlborough Grange No. 205  
Obwebetuck Grange No. 206  
Connecticut River Grange No. 207  
Greenwoods Grange No. 208  
Haystack Mountain Grange No. 209  
Cherry Brook Grange No. 210  
Spoonville Grange No. 211

## THE JUVENILE GRANGE

The Juvenile Grange is the Youth Department of the Grange and provides a Grange for those under the age of fourteen.

In 1881 the Texas State Grange started the Juvenile Movement. In 1888 the National Grange set up the Executive Committee to study the movement. In 1890 at the Atlanta, Georgia Session of the National Grange The Juvenile Ritual was adopted. Between 1890 and 1922 the growth was little and spotty. In 1922 at the Wichita, Kansas Session a Juvenile Superintendent was appointed and the work has steadily but slowly progressed since then.

### National Superintendents:

- Mrs. Harriet Dickson, Ohio, 1922-1925
- Mrs. Dosia Eckert, Illinois, 1925-1928
- Mrs. Susan Freestone, New York, 1928-1939
- Mrs. Margaret Caldwell, North Carolina, 1939-1946
- Mrs. Elizabeth Carstensen, Washington, 1946-1948

Mrs. Alice Pearson, Minnesota, 1948-1951

Mrs. Lucile Fredericks, Ohio, 1951 on

Sister Eckert issued the first Juvenile Handbook and the first manual. National Secretary Freeman issued the first booklet for help of Juvenile Workers. National Secretary Harry Caton, revised and enlarged this booklet. In 1929 the National Grange issued the first Honor Certificate. Ever since March 31, 1945, each State Secretary has to report the Juvenile membership to the National Grange and a small due is also collected by the National Grange upon this membership.

In Connecticut during the period between 1903 and 1920 the first eleven Juveniles were organized. They were not very active and finally closed out in 1920. In 1930 the movement was reactivated and the growth will be noted in the following Juvenile Grange reports. Lack of good leaders seems to be the primary cause for the closing down of Juveniles. Unlike the parent Grange a child soon either passes into the Subordinate Grange or out of Grange work entirely.



Banner Juvenile Grange No. 1  
 Hopeful Juvenile Grange No. 2  
 North Cornwall Juvenile Grange No. 3  
 Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 4  
 Brooklyn Juvenile Grange No. 5  
 Bolton Juvenile Grange No. 6  
 Wangumbaug Juvenile Grange No. 7  
 North Stonington Juvenile Grange No. ?  
 Lyme Juvenile Grange No. 8  
 Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 9  
 Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 10  
 Wethersfield Juvenile Grange No. 11

Ridgefield Juvenile Grange No. 1  
 Farmill River Juvenile Grange No. 2  
 Norfield Juvenile Grange No. 3  
 Pachaug Juvenile Grange No. 4  
 Beacon Valley Juvenile Grange No. 5  
 Bethany Juvenile Grange No. 6  
 Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 7  
 Trumbull Juvenile Grange No. 8  
 Pomperaug Juvenile Grange No. 9  
 Andover Juvenile Grange No. 10  
 Middlefield Juvenile Grange No. 11  
 Clinton Juvenile Grange No. 12  
 Natchaug Juvenile Grange No. 13  
 Farmington Juvenile Grange No. 14  
 Highland Juvenile Grange No. 15  
 Stonington Juvenile Grange No. 16  
 Mystic Juvenile Grange No. 17  
 Wolf Den Juvenile Grange No. 18  
 Metichewan Juvenile Grange No. 19  
 Little River Juvenile Grange No. 20  
 Mad River Juvenile Grange No. 21  
 Morris Juvenile Grange No. 22  
 Bolton Juvenile Grange No. 23  
 Salisbury Juvenile Grange No. 24  
 Wichita Juvenile Grange No. 25  
 East Hartford Juvenile Grange No. 26  
 Hope Juvenile Grange No. 27  
 Cheshire Juvenile Grange No. 28  
 Branford Juvenile Grange No. 29

Wallingford Juvenile Grange No. 30  
 Prospect Juvenile Grange No. 31  
 Winchester Juvenile Grange No. 32  
 Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 33  
 Tolland Juvenile Grange No. 34  
 Hebron Juvenile Grange No. 35  
 Rock Rimmon Juvenile Grange No. 36  
 Greenfield Hill Juvenile Grange No. 37  
 Mattabessett Juvenile Grange No. 38  
 Plainville Juvenile Grange No. 39  
 Mystic Juvenile Grange No. 40  
 Bethlehem Juvenile Grange No. 41  
 Victory Juvenile Grange No. 42  
 Konomoc Juvenile Grange No. 43  
 Easton Juvenile Grange No. 44  
 Silver Lake Juvenile Grange No. 45  
 Old Lyme Juvenile Grange No. 46  
 Lisbon Juvenile Grange No. 47  
 Haystack Mountain Juvenile Grange 48  
 Hamden Juvenile Grange No. 49  
 North Haven Juvenile Grange No. 50  
 Preston City Juvenile Grange No. 51  
 Falls Village Juvenile Grange No. 52  
 Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 53  
 Plymouth Juvenile Grange No. 54  
 Suffield Juvenile Grange No. 55  
 Simsbury Juvenile Grange No. 56  
 Laurel Juvenile Grange No. 57  
 Ledyard Juvenile Grange No. 58  
 Higganum Juvenile Grange No. 59  
 Harmony Juvenile Grange No. 60  
 Pohtatuck Juvenile Grange No. 61  
 Riverton Juvenile Grange No. 62  
 Whigville Juvenile Grange No. 63  
 Hemlock Juvenile Grange No. 64  
 Plainfield Juvenile Grange No. 65  
 Salem Juvenile Grange No. 66  
 Roxbury Juvenile Grange No. 67  
 Torrington Juvenile Grange No. 68  
 Union Juvenile Grange No. 69  
 Rippowam Juvenile Grange No. 70  
 Beacon Juvenile Grange No. 71  
 Berlin Juvenile Grange No. 72

**BANNER JUVENILE GRANGE No. 1,  
in Amenia Union, N. Y.**

Organized under S.M. B. C. Patterson.  
Organized by : Deputy Nellie C. Cleveland.  
Organized on September 26, 1903, with 20  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in a few years.

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**HOPEFUL JUVENILE GRANGE No. 2,  
in Hampton, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on May 20, 1905, with 31  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1910.

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**NORTH CORNWALL JUVENILE  
GRANGE No. 3, in Cornwall, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Deputy Bertha Morehouse.  
Organized on May 23, 1905, with 15  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**KILLINGLY JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 4, in Killingly, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on March 23, 1907, with 23  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**BROOKLYN JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 5, in Brooklyn, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on April 6, 1907, with 16  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**BOLTON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 6,  
in Bolton, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on June 15, 1907, with 16  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**WANGUMBAUG JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 7, in Coventry, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. O. S. Wood.  
Organized by: Sister C. B. Jewett.  
Organized on November 23, 1907, with 15  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1910.

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**NORTH STONINGTON JUVENILE  
GRANGE No. , in North Stonington,  
Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Leonard H. Healey.  
Organized by:  
Organized on January 11, 1908, with 17  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**LYME JUVENILE GRANGE No. 8,  
in Lyme, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on February 6, 1909, with 17  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**MANCHESTER JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 9, in Manchester, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
Organized on March 20, 1909, with 15  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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**CANTERBURY JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 10, in Canterbury, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. L. H. Healey.  
 Organized by: Deputy Nellie Cleveland.  
 Organized on September 17, 1910, with 15  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded

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**RIDGEFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 1, in Ridgefield, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
 Organized by: Alice Rowland.  
 Organized on July 8, 1927, with 13  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

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**WETHERSFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 11, in Wethersfield, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. J. Arthur Sher-  
 wood.  
 Organized by: Deputy Susie Williams.  
 Organized on February 23, 1915, with 23  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded

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Thus ended the first Juvenile efforts in  
 Connecticut.

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**FARMILL RIVER JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 2, in Huntington, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
 Organized by Brother and Sister Minor  
 Ives.  
 Organized on September 2, 1927, with 14  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

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**NORFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE No. 3,**

in Weston, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
 Organized by: Brother Edgar L. Tucker.  
 Organized on September 9, 1927, with 20  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

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**PACHAUG JUVENILE GRANGE No. 4,**

in Jewett City, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
 Organized by: John P. Hollowell.  
 Organized on December 1927, with 22  
 Charter Members.  
 Dormant in May 1930.

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Reorganized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Edith Slate.  
 Reorganized on August 27, 1949, with 23  
 Charter Members.

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**BEACON VALLEY JUVENILE  
 GRANGE No. 5, in Straightsville  
 (Naugatuck, Connecticut)**

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
 Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.



Organized on August 9, 1928, with 18  
Charter Members.

**BETHANY JUVENILE GRANGE No. 6,  
in Bethany, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on January 26, 1929, with 33  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**CANTERBURY JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 7, in Canterbury, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on March 23, 1929, with 24  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**TRUMBULL JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 8, in Trumbull, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Minor Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on September 27, 1929, with 58  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**POMPERAUG JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 9, in Southbury, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on July 22, 1930, with 14  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**ANDOVER JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 10, in Andover, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on December 10, 1932, with 23  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**MIDDLEFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 11, in Middlefield, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on April 26, 1933, with 34  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1935.

Reorganized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Bertha Denniss.  
Reorganized on May 18, 1949, with 38  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

Reorganized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Reorganized by Deputy Mildred Bell.  
Reorganized on June 16, 1953, with 17  
Charter Members.

**CLINTON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 12  
In Clinton, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on April 29, 1933, with 29  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**NATCHAUG JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 13, in Chaplain, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by Deputy Jessie Brown.  
Organized on May 13, 1933, with 33  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

Reorganized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Helen Weeks.  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

**FARMINGTON JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 14, in Farmington, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. L. G. Tolles.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.

Organized on July 10, 1933, with 27  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Sherman K.  
Ives.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Mabel Hayes.  
Reorganized on May 23, 1941, with 34  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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#### **HIGHLAND JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 15, in Danielson, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. F. H. Peet.  
Organized by Deputy Jessie Brown.  
Organized on February 2, 1924, with 22  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Sidney G. Hall.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Beatrice Hun-  
ter.  
Reorganized on March 30, 1948, with 16  
Charter Members.

#### **STONINGTON JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 16, in Stonington, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. F. H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Jessie Brown.  
Organized on March 9, 1934, with 25  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Sherman K.  
Ives.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Sarah Higbee.  
Reorganized on February 18, 1941, with  
18 Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1945.

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Reorganized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Edith Slate.  
Reorganized on May 21, 1949, with 17  
Charter Members.

#### **MYSTIC JUVENILE GRANGE No. 17** In Mystic, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Jessie Brown.  
Organized on April 5, 1934, with 32  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.  
See Juvenile No. 40.

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#### **WOLF DEN JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 18, in Abington, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Jessie Brown.  
Organized on August 14, 1934, with 21  
Charter Members.

#### **METICHEWAN JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 19, in Still River, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on May 6, 1935, with 29 Char-  
ter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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#### **LITTLE RIVER JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 20, in Hampton, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Doris Hutchinson.  
Organized on November 29, 1935, with  
31 Charter Members.

#### **MAD RIVER JUVENILE GRANGE** No. 21, in Waterbury, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on December 12, 1935, with  
40 Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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#### **MORRIS JUVENILE GRANGE No. 22** In Morris, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.

Organized on June 29, 1936, with 17  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**BOLTON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 23**  
in Bolton, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by Deputy Doris Hutchinson.  
Organized on October 31, 1936, with 23  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**SALISBURY JUVENILE GRANGE**  
No. 24, in Salisbury, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on April 30, 1937, with 35  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**WICHITA JUVENILE GRANGE No. 25**  
In Warren, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Frank H. Peet.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on May 19, 1937, with 27  
Charter Members.  
Dormant.

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Reorganized under S.M. Ira Wilcox.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Marjorie Tan-  
ner.  
Organized on April 25, 1953, with 44  
Charter Members.

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**E. HARTFORD JUVENILE GRANGE**  
No. 26, in East Hartford, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Doris Hutchinson.  
Organized on January 26, 1938, with 35  
Charter Members.  
Dormant in 1948.

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**HOPE JUVENILE GRANGE No. 27**  
In West Torrington, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on March 28, 1938, with 23  
Charter Members.

**CHESHIRE JUVENILE GRANGE**  
No. 28, in Cheshire, Connecticut

Organized under S. M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
Organized on May 6, 1938, with 28  
Charter Members.

**BRANFORD JUVENILE GRANGE No.**  
29, in Branford, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
Organized on May 23, 1938, with 27  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Ada Hale.  
Reorganized on Dec. 1, 1947, with 45  
Charter Members.

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**WALLINGFORD JUVENILE GRANGE**  
No. 30, in Wallingford, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
Organized on June 1, 1938, with 53  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in 1948.

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**PROSPECT JUVENILE GRANGE**  
No. 32, in Prospect, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
Organized on August 31, 1938, with 20  
Charter Members.



**KILLINGLY JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 33, in Killingly, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
 Organized by: Deputy Helen M. Weeks.  
 Organized on March 31, 1939, with 23  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Reorganized by Deputy Gretchen Beck  
 with 29 Charter Members.  
 Reorganized in December 1946.

**TOLLAND JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 34, in Tolland, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
 Organized by: Deputy Helen M. Weeks.  
 Organized on April 14, 1939, with 22  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**HEBRON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 35****In Hebron, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
 Organized by: Deputy Helen M. Weeks.  
 Organized on May 2, 1939, with 50  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Beatrice Little.  
 Reorganized on Dec. 18, 1945, with 19  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**ROCK RIMMON JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 36, in Beacon Falls, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Edgar L. Tucker.  
 Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
 Organized on July 22, 1939, with 28  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**GREENFIELD HILL JUVENILE****GRANGE No. 37, in Greenfield Hill, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
 Organized by: Deputy Ina Goldspink.  
 Organized on March 25, 1940, with 21  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**MATTABESSETT JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 38, in Middletown, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
 Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
 Organized on April 13, 1940, with 26  
 Charter Members.  
 Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
 Reorganized by: Deputy Mildred Bell.  
 Reorganized on May 8, 1953, with 44  
 Charter Members.

**PLAINVILLE JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 39, in Plainville, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
 Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
 Organized on June 10, 1940, with 35  
 Charter Members.

**MYSTIC JUVENILE GRANGE No. 40,  
in Mystic, Connecticut**

After organization took back old No. 17.  
 Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
 Organized by: Lida S. Ives.  
 Organized on September 19, 1940, with  
 21 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**BETHLEHEM JUVENILE GRANGE****No. 41, in Bethlehem, Connecticut**


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Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
 Organized by: Lida S. Ives.

Organized on September 18, 1940, with  
16 Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**VICTORY JUVENILE GRANGE No. 42,  
in Robertsville, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Lida S. Ives.  
Organized on September 23, 1940, with  
19 Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**KONOMOC JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 43, in Waterford, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Sarah Higbee.  
Organized on February 25, 1941, with 21  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded

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Reorganized under S.M. Sidney G. Hall.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Edith Slate.  
Reorganized on July 9, 1949, with 17  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**EASTON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 44,  
in Easton, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Florence Cooley.  
Organized on March 18, 1941, with 22  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**SILVER LAKE JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 45, in Sharon, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Flora B. Skilton.  
Organized on April 29, 1941, with 24  
Charter Members.

**OLD LYME JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 46, in Old Lyme, Connecticut**

Organized under S. M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Sarah Higbee.  
Organized on January 10, 1942, with 16  
Charter Members.

**LISBON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 47,  
in Lisbon, Connecticut**

Organized under S. M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Sarah Higbee.  
Organized on May 21, 1943, with 20  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**HAYSTACK MOUNTAIN JUVENILE  
GRANGE No. 48, in Norfolk, Connecticut**

Organized under S. M. Sherman K. Ives.  
Organized by: Deputy Flora Skilton.  
Organized on June 10, 1943, with 42  
Charter Members.  
Not active in 1953.

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**HAMDEN JUVENILE GRANGE No. 49,  
in Hamden, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
Organized by: Deputy Ada Hale.  
Organized on May 27, 1944, with 53  
Charter Members.

**NORTH HAVEN JUVENILE GRANGE  
No. 50, in North Haven, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
Organized by: Deputy Ada Hale.  
Organized on September 18, 1944, with  
81 Charter Members.  
Disbanded.

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Reorganized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Reorganized by: Deputy Nellie Hoogh-  
Kirk.  
Reorganized on June 19, 1953, with 38  
Charter Members.

**PRESTON CITY JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 51, in Norwich, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Gretchen Beck-  
 with.  
 Organized on May 18, 1945, with 15  
 Charter Members.

**FALLS VILLAGE JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 52, in Falls Village, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Hazel K. Newton.  
 Organized on May 23, 1945, with 43  
 Charter Members.

**MANCHESTER JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 53, in Manchester, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Beatrice Little.  
 Organized on June 4, 1945, with 41  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**PLYMOUTH JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 54, in Plymouth, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Alma Brooks.  
 Organized on July 13, 1945, with 33  
 Charter Members.  
 Not active in 1953.

**SUFFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 55, in Suffield, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by Deputy Mary Keating.  
 Organized on April 26, 1946, with 25  
 Charter Members.  
 Dormant.

**SIMSBURY JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 56, in Simsbury, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by Deputy Mary Keating.  
 Organized on July 18, 1946, with 30  
 Charter Members.  
 Dormant.

**LAUREL JUVENILE GRANGE No. 57,**

in East Canaan, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Lillian Twing.  
 Organized on September 27, 1947, with  
 25 Charter Members.

**LEDYARD JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 58, in Ledyard, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Grace Manning.  
 Organized on February 19, 1947, with 73  
 Charter Members.

**HIGGANUM JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 59, in Higganum, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy Ruth Hoxie.  
 Organized on March 29, 1947, with 21  
 Charter Members.

**HARMONY JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 60, in Monroe, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy May P. Mitchell.  
 Organized on October 23, 1947, with 41  
 Charter Members.

**POHTATUCK JUVENILE GRANGE**

No. 61, in Newtown, Connecticut

Organized under S.M. Harry L. Page.  
 Organized by: Deputy May P. Mitchell.  
 Organized on October 21, 1947, with 39  
 Charter Members.  
 Dormant.

**RIVERTON JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 62, in Riverton, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Organized by: Edith W. Zeiner, Deputy.  
Organized on March 29, 1948, with 42  
Charter Members.

**WHIGVILLE JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 63, in Burlington, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Organized by: Deputy Edith W. Zeiner.  
Organized on April 10, 1948, with 66  
Charter Members.  
Dormant.

**HEMLOCK JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 64, in Portland, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Organized by: Deputy Maida Lyman.  
Organized on June 18, 1948, with 30  
Charter Members.

**PLAINFIELD JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 65, in Plainfield, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Organized by: Deputy Beatrice Hunter.  
Organized on January 29, 1949, with 26  
Charter Members.

**SALEM JUVENILE GRANGE No. 66,**

**in Salem, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Sidney Hall.  
Organized by: Deputy Edith Slate  
Organized on March 25, 1949, with 18  
Charter Members.  
Disbanded in October 1950.

**ROXBURY JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 67, in Roxbury, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox  
Organized by: Deputy Emma Keech  
Organized on December 9, 1949, with 33  
Charter Members.

**TORRINGFORD JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 68, in Torrington, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Organized by: Deputy Myrtle F. Thuillard.  
Organized on July 6, 1951, with 30  
Charter Members.

**UNION JUVENILE GRANGE No. 69,  
in Southington, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Organized by: Deputy Mildred Bell.  
Organized on February 1, 1953, with 27  
Charter Members.

**RIPPOWAN JUVENILE GRANGE**

**No. 70, in Stamford, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Organized by: Deputy Dorothy Kasperit.  
Organized on March 6, 1953, with 20  
Charter Members.

**BEACON JUVENILE GRANGE No. 71,  
in Northfield, Town of Litchfield, Conn.**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Organized by: Deputy Myrtle Thuillard  
Organized on April 7, 1953, with 29  
Charter Members.

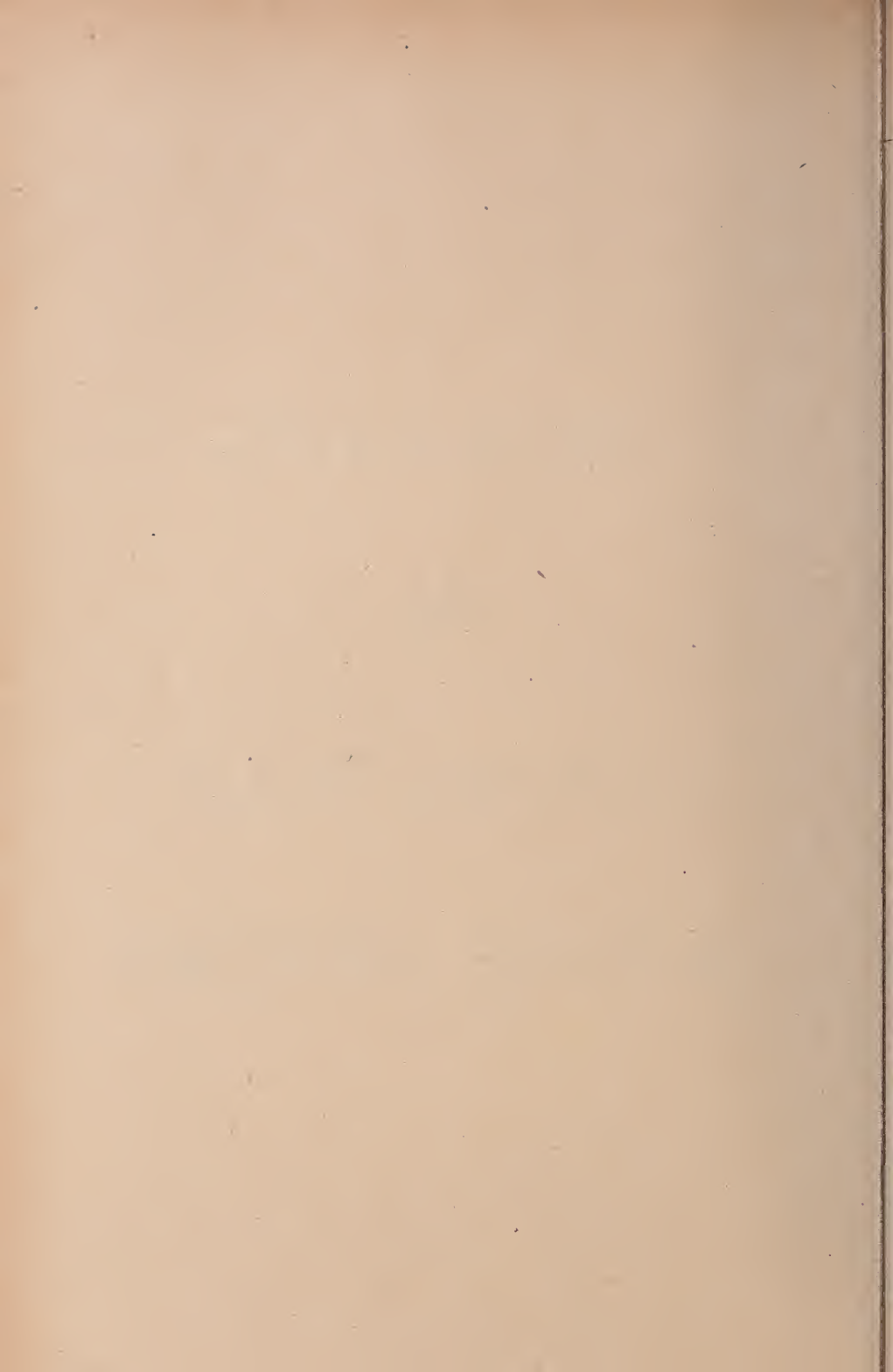
**BERLIN JUVENILE GRANGE No. 72,  
in Berlin, Connecticut**

Organized under S.M. Ira F. Wilcox.  
Organized by Deputy Mildred Bell.  
Organized on May 27, 1953 with 52  
Charter Members.





HIGHLIGHTS  
IN  
CONNECTICUT  
GRANGE HISTORY



### HIGH LIGHTS IN CONNECTICUT GRANGE HISTORY

The following pages are devoted to short sketches of events in Connecticut Grange History. Due to lack of space only brief accounts could be given. Different aspects of Grange work pertaining to Legislation, Co-Operative Enterprises, Outstanding Grange Events and Grange Bits of Interest, have been selected from here and there in the Journals of Proceedings elsewhere for this section. National, State and Community Welfare have all felt the touch of the Grange through the passing years.

There are many other things which the Grange has either promoted or assisted with that have not been touched upon here, and in the opinion of some may be of equal importance, but the line had to be drawn somewhere and the ones mentioned are representative of many activities the Grange has sponsored.



## THE FIRST STATE GRANGE

1875 . . . . On April 15 and 16, 1875, National Deputy Levi Hubbell of Iowa under National Master Dudley W. Adams of Iowa, came to Danbury, Connecticut and organized the 33rd State Grange, from a small group of Subordinate Granges which had been previously organized. They were: Stafford No. 1; Windsor No. 2; Lanesville No. 3; Hawleyville No. 4; Granby No. 5; Danbury No. 6; Roxbury No. 7; Sherman No. 8; Hartland No. 9; West Suffield No. 10; Washington No. 11; East Granby No. 12; Tunxis No. 13; Bloomfield No. 14; Redding No. 15; (Colebrook No. 16 was in the process of organization and was not completed until after the State Grange Meeting.) NOTE: The numbers were issued by the National Grange and sometimes Granges organized before some other Grange received later numbers, as well as the other way around, depending on what order they were handled in the National Secretaries office) Kent No. 17; Simsbury No. 18; Housatonic No. 19 and Hope No. 20 (which was in the process also of being organized.) These Granges were organized by various Deputies from Massachusetts, National Deputy Hubbell and others all of which will be found under Subordinate Granges in this book.

Deputy Howard P. Robinson of Blandford, Massachusetts helped National Deputy Hubbell in the actual work of organizing the First Connecticut State Grange.

A slate of officers were duly elected and installed. Committees were set up and work was done towards drawing up a Constitution and By-Laws. It was voted to hold the next annual meeting in Hartford, Connecticut in December.

On December 28, 1875, the second meeting of this new State Grange and which was known as the first annual meeting was called to order in Stedman Hall, Hartford, Connecticut. Fourteen of the Sixteen Granges still in existence were present and properly seated. Little of written importance was accomplished. We do find that they voted to have a six man Executive Committee instead of a five-man committee, each elected

to serve for two years, half of the committee to be elected each year. A Constitution and By-Laws for the State of Connecticut were formally adopted. They held a two-day session.

1876 . . . . The second annual session of the First Connecticut State Grange was held on December 28th and 29th, 1876 in Stedman Hall, Hartford, Connecticut. Again little is recorded of legislation or resolutions. An election of officers was held and Sister Godard, wife of State Master Harvy Godard, installed the officers. She was Pomona of the National Grange at the time. It was voted to "hold the next annual session in Bridgeport, the last Thursday of 1877."

1877 . . . . We find the statement "At the State Grange Meeting in 1877 only seven Granges were represented."

1878 . . . . On February 13th and 14th, 1878, a heated meeting was held in Hope Grange Hall, at West Torrington. Much was discussed relative to delegates' expenses being paid by the State Grange, better purchasing power for Grange Trade Cards, abuse of Grange Trading Cards, Important Speakers, Lack of interest in the Order and towards each other, etc. Little was accomplished other than relieving their feelings.

The last regular meeting of this First State Grange was held in East Granby, at the home of East Granby Master Levi V. Viets. Few delegates were present. State Master Harvy Godard resigned and Sherman Kimberly of Hope Grange in West Torrington was elected. Later all action taken at this meeting was voided by the National Grange as there was not sufficient delegates present to form a legal quorum.

## Period between 1878 and 1885.

Grange after Grange dropped by the way until there remained but two Granges: Hope of West Torrington and Tunxis of Bloomfield. Tunxis has the older charter. The report of the Master of Tunxis Grange, Hugh Mitchelson, given at the first session of the present State Grange, says that they "Had never

given up, though for four years did not meet." The records of Hope Grange show that meetings were held during this period, that regular elections of officers were held and payment made to the National Grange of their dues either directly to the National Secretary or through the Massachusetts State Grange as they were directed. With this nucleus of interest and the authority given him as Deputy of the National Grange, Sherman Kimberly almost single handed started to organize new Granges within the State, until his goal was reached on June 24, 1885 when the present State Grange came into being at the Academy Building in South Glastonbury, Connecticut.

The two words "without remuneration" as written in National Master J. J. Woodman's letter appointing Sherman Kimberly a National Deputy (reproduced in its original form by his picture in this book) seem to express the spirit of the Grange throughout its history. Not only Mr. Kimberly, but hundreds and thousands of other Brothers and Sisters in the past and in the present have given and are giving freely of their time and energy without expectation of financial reward to build and support our Order.

As the first Connecticut State Grange died some interesting items appear in the Journals of Proceedings of the National Grange. On the fifth day of the 1878 Session of the National Grange held at Richmond, Virginia, the Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

"Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following facts in regard to the State of Connecticut.

The last report from the Secretary of the State Grange of Connecticut is for the quarter ended June 30th, 1877, showing 330 members in the State.

The Treasurer of this National Grange reports to the Committee that there was a balance of \$9.25 to the credit of the State Grange of Connecticut on July 1st, 1877, and that the Worthy Master of the State Grange of Connecticut has paid into his hands \$17.00, making

\$26.25 in his hands on account of the dues for 1878.

As your Committee has no way of ascertaining whether Connecticut has fifteen paying Granges, as required by action at the last session, (page 103 Proceedings, Eleventh Session), we report the above facts without recommendation."

On motion of Brother Lang, Texas, this report was laid on the table. Then Brother Lang moved that the representatives of the State Grange of Connecticut be admitted as members of this National Grange, but on motion of Brother Baylor, W. Virginia, the matter was referred back to the Committee on Credentials. Later that day the Committee on Credentials reported again as follows:

"We have had under consideration the resolution of Brother Lang, viz: 'That the Representatives of the State of Connecticut be admitted as members of this National Grange, and I am directed to return same and recommend its adoption.'

I am also directed to propose the following for the action of this Grange:

'Resolved, That the Worthy Master of the National Grange be requested to inquire into the condition of the Order in the State of Connecticut, and if the number of paying Subordinate Granges be found to be less than 15, that the Charter of said State Grange be revoked, and that the Subordinate Granges in good standing be placed under the jurisdiction of the State Grange of Massachusetts'." The recommendation that the representatives from Connecticut be admitted to seats as members, was **not** concurred in. The resolution requesting an investigation into the status of the Order in Connecticut, was adopted.

On the next day or Sixth Day of this same Session, Brother Lang, Texas, presented the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the Treasurer of the National Grange is hereby authorized to pay to the Master of the Connecticut State Grange the amount of dues paid



by said State Grange since June 30th, 1877; also, all balances that may be due said State Grange on account of donations and over-payment of dues."

This resolution was referred to the Committee on Finance.

On the Seventh Day of this Session the Committee on Finance reported they had considered Brother Lang's resolution and recommended "that the Treasurer be instructed to return to the Master of the Connecticut State Grange, the amount of dues received from said State, since June 30th, 1877; and as the laws are at present sufficient to authorize the Worthy Treasurer to make the necessary adjustment of donation fund and dues, the Committee are of the opinion that further action of this Grange upon these questions is unnecessary." On motion, the recommendation was concurred in.

The Treasurer's report of the National Grange the next year shows the \$17.00 as a receipt that the Connecticut State Grange Master paid the year before, but there is no indication in the payments that it was actually paid back to him.

It was about a month after this 1878 meeting of the National Grange, that the last meeting of the First Connecticut State Grange was attempted in East Granby. As stated before Mr. Godard resigned as Master and Mr. Kimberly was urged to take the title of Master, which was an empty title at the time, as there was not much to be Master of.

No further mention of Connecticut appears in the National Journals until 1884, when the Executive Committee reported one new Grange (Lebanon) organized in Connecticut, and then the National Journal of 1885 when the National Secretary reported more Subordinate Granges organized (12) in Connecticut that year than any other State except Texas, which also had twelve. This was the year when Connecticut was again fully accredited as an active State Grange at the National Session in Boston, Mass., a position which has never been questioned since.

## THE SECOND STATE GRANGE

### THE PATRONS MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

JUNE 24, 1885 . . . "Voted that the Executive Committee investigate the subject of Grange Fire Insurance and report at the Annual Meeting," which will be held in December 1885.

DECEMBER 1, 1885 . . . . The subject of Grange Fire Insurance was discussed at great length with the following vote taken: "Voted to refer the matter of the Grange Fire Insurance to the Executive Committee."

DECEMBER 7, 1886 . . . B. C. Patterson, Chairman of the Executive Committee, made the following report: "The matter of a Grange Fire Insurance Company has been considered at our meetings, but as no instructions were given your Committee at the last annual meeting, we did not feel warranted in taking action in the matter."

DECEMBER 9, 1886 . . . Earl Cooley, Chairman of the Good of the Order Committee said, "We would recommend the incorporation of a Patrons Mutual Fire and Life Insurance Company." After considerable debate, the following resolution was presented and adopted: "RESOLVED, That the Executive Committee, with Worthy Master J. H. Hale, ex-officio, and three members to be added by this Grange, be instructed to secure the chartering or incorporation of a Mutual Fire Insurance Company from the legislature this coming winter, and to organize and begin business as soon as possible."

APRIL 16, 1887 . . . . "It was carried successfully through, and the Company organized April 6, 1887, at Room 7, United States Hotel, in Hartford, under the name of "The Patrons' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Connecticut" with the following list of Officers:

President, Dr. George Austin Bowen,  
Woodstock, Connecticut  
Secretary, C. P. Ives, Meriden, Connecticut

Treasurer, B. C. Patterson, Torrington, Connecticut

Executive Committee: The President; The Secretary; L. S. Wells, New Britain; H. A. Whittlesey, Newington; W. F. Andross, East Hartford, Connecticut

Directors: H. A. Whittlesey, Newington; E. H. Lathrop, Vernon; Dr. George Austin Bowen, Woodstock; E. J. Hempstead, Waterford; J. M. Hubbard, Middletown; E. P. Atwater, Cheshire; J. E. Selleck, New Canaan; B. C. Patterson, Torrington; C. P. Ives, Meriden; L. S. Wells, New Britain; W. F. Andross, East Hartford, Connecticut.

Applications for insurance in this company to the amount of \$527,680 reported this morning by its Secretary, and the Company will issue policies at once.

During the early years of the Company, an assessment was levied. The State Grange helped to tide the Company over this period and ever since then the steady progress and growth has been consistent and prosperous, serving the Patrons and the immediate members of their families within their household with the highest type of service and coverage.

During the years this Company has been housed at various places, such as the home of the various Secretaries, and at one time in a portion of the Police Department building in Glastonbury and now is very proud of the fine brick structure where they are domiciled on Naubuc Avenue in Glastonbury, Connecticut. This building was purchased from the Williams Silver Company in January 1947, and a portion of the space is now being rented to the National Grange Insurance Companies and the Connecticut State Grange for their offices.

From the modest Secretary alone struggling in his office, they have now grown to an office force of seven employees, including not only the Secretary himself, but an assistant, several clerks and typists and a full time Field Man who spends his time upon inspection

of risks, prevention of losses, and the adjusting of Claims.

In 1950, the Company received much favorable publicity, both State and National for being the first insurance company in Connecticut to purchase and equip a motor vehicle for use solely in loss prevention work.

This Company is a fine example of what Father Kelley, the Founder of our Grange, dreamed of as one of the services needed to make the Order live and grow. He said "You must get into the farmers' pockets to reach their hearts, and a lively palpitation there invigorates their minds," and "I think we can by-and-by introduce some system of insurance so as to insure at cost."

## DEDICATION OF THE FIRST GRANGE HALL

### IN CONNECTICUT

Lebanon Grange No. 21 was organized on March 31, 1884, with 25 Charter Members, by National Deputy Sherman Kimberly of West Torrington, Connecticut. Early in August of that same year, the Grange voted to build a hall and store, \$1,725.00 being pledged for the purpose. A company was immediately formed, a building committee selected, and the hall was ready for dedication on November 12, 1885. National Deputy Sherman Kimberly accompanied by National Lecturer Whitehead, took the train from Torrington to attend this occasion. In Deputy Kimberly's family diary, he says he little knew what to do upon such an event, but that he somehow got through with it before a crowd of some 500 good people. In the book, *The Connecticut Granges*, we find, "the dedication exercises, which were interesting and impressive" seemed to have fitted the necessary requirements for such a celebration. The fact that a Hall was built so shortly after its organization, in fact before the first Annual Session of the newly formed State Grange, is testimony to the zeal and ardor of the people who were responsible for its growth in years to come.



## THE STORRS AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL NOW THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

The history of the Storrs Agricultural School and the Connecticut State Grange are closely interwoven. The Storrs Agricultural School was started just four years (established in 1881) before the State Grange and was immediately adopted by the State Grange upon its inception on June 24, 1885. The following Resolution was offered upon that organization date and was adopted, thus literally taking this institution as a foster child, worrying over its problems, fighting for its expansion and rights, jealously guarding its privileges, and urging better conditions for its roof, board and educational future:

"Whereas, The Storrs' Agricultural School, having successfully passed the experimental period of four years

Resolved, That the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, realizing the importance of education for the farm, commend this institution as worthy of our patronage and protection."

The Agricultural College Fund derived from the sale of land scrip donated to the several States by an act of Congress, approved July 2, 1862, and entitled "An act donating public lands to the several States and Territories which may provide colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts." By an act of the Connecticut Legislature in 1863, the income of this fund (some \$7,500 per year) was ordered to be paid over semi-annually to the president and fellows of Yale College for the purpose and on the conditions set forth in said act, the most important section of which is as follows: "Said corporation shall devote said interest wholly and exclusively to the maintenance in that department of Yale College known as the Sheffield Scientific School, of such courses of instruction as shall carry out the intent of the act of Congress . . . in the manner specially prescribed in the fourth section of said act," which is as follows: "Section 4. And be it further enacted: That all monies derived from

the sale of lands aforesaid by the States to which the lands are apportioned, and from the sale of land-scrip hereinbefore provided for, shall be invested in stocks of the United States or of the States, or some other safe stocks yielding not less than 5% upon the par value of said stocks; and that the monies so invested shall constitute a perpetual fund, the capital of which shall remain forever undiminished (except so far as may be provided in section fifth in this act), and the interest of which shall be inviolably appropriated by each State, which may take and claim the benefit of this act to the endowment, support, and maintenance of at least one college where the leading object shall be, without excluding other scientific and classical studies, and including military tactics, to teach such branches of learning as are related to agriculture and the mechanic arts, in such manner as the Legislature of the States may respectively prescribe, in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes in the several pursuits and professions in life."

The main purpose of this, you will observe, was "for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts." Section 3 of the acts of the Connecticut Legislature of 1863 says: "Said corporation shall furnish gratuitous education, in said courses of instruction, to persons who shall be annually nominated to be pupils of said school in such a manner as the General Assembly shall prescribe. The number shall be in each year such as would expend a sum equal to half said interest for the same year in paying for their instruction in said school, if they were required to pay for it at the regular rates charged to its other pupils for the same year. Said pupils so nominated and received shall be citizens of the State and shall be admitted into said school upon the same terms and subject to the same rules and discipline which shall apply to all its other pupils, except that they shall pay nothing for their instruction." And yet, with these free scholarships, what has been the result? How many of our farmers' boys have received the benefit of this fund and graduated from the agricultural department of the Sheffield Scientific

School of Yale College? From 1863 through 1886. In twenty-four years there have been seven agricultural graduates; cost \$180,000, or \$25,700 each. Possibly as many more students have taken a partial course but did not graduate. We find that probably the reason more did not apply was the fact that Latin, the higher mathematics, etc., were required which few rural folks had not had at that time. Anyway I think that we would all agree that the Connecticut State Grange had a real cause for the agitation they stirred up over this situation. After a long and somewhat bitter fight, you who have followed this history know it was successfully wrested from New Haven and placed through the proper channels of Legislature in the Storrs Agricultural School, but not before injunctions were made and funds held up (all of which one can clearly find in the Journals for the next several years). We feel it is entirely an unselfish statement in saying that this really benefitted rural Connecticut and those who wished further education in the field of agriculture. Perhaps the following taken from a talk given by the President of the University at the 1950 Session of the Connecticut State Grange can sum it all up better than I can, for Dr. Albert N. Jorgensen (who is Brother Jorgensen) says: "I have come to the conclusion about which I feel quite strongly and that is the State of Connecticut and the people of Connecticut owe this organization a debt of gratitude that I think will extend for many, many generations. The debt of gratitude stems from the almost monumental contributions made by this organization, and stems from positions taken on the number of big questions of considerable import—several in the field of education. At least four contributions will go down in history. (1) Originally, the Land Grant Institution in this State was a private institution. Through the Grange's initiative by legislation this Land Grant institution is now a public institution—what is now known as the University of Connecticut. (2) In 1922 there was an attempt to liquidate the Land Grant institution.

The State Grange stepped in and saved the day. (3) In 1937, through reorganization of government, an attempt was made to remove independence from the Land Grant College and remove the institution's Board of Trustees and place the institution under some other agency. The State Grange and Farm Bureau kept that from taking place. (4) Much more recently there was an attempt to take away from the University its independence and to take away the institution's Board of Trustees again. The State Grange and the Farm Bureau teamed up and made their positions known in no uncertain terms. I myself am personally indebted, and the University is indebted to the State Grange Legislative Committee which, under the very able leadership of A. Ward Spaulding, left no doubt about the position the Grange was taking on this question."

During the 1953 Legislature a new wrinkle appeared. Legislation was proposed whereby the University of Connecticut and the State Teachers Colleges would be all placed together under the State Department of Education. This latest move to weaken the position of the University was successfully opposed by the Connecticut State Grange.

The name of this institution has changed several times, from The Storrs Agricultural School to the Connecticut Agricultural College, then Connecticut State College and then finally The University of Connecticut. No matter what the name may be, the Grange will continue to support it as it always has in the past. The Connecticut State Grange may well take pride in the fact, that it has been an important force in helping to make the University of Connecticut the largest institution of higher learning in Connecticut.

In recent years, the college has indeed been fortunate to have had such an able President as Dr. Albert N. Jorgensen to promote and guide the rapid development of its growth. His foresight and vision have gained recognition for this University all over the Nation as well as within the State.



## THE HATCH EXPERIMENTAL STATION BILL

DECEMBER 7, 1886 . . . . The following is taken from the Annual Report of State Master J. H. Hale: "At the first session of the Forty-Ninth Congress, Honorable W. W. Hatch, of Missouri, introduced a bill providing for the appropriation of \$15,000 annually to the several States for the purpose of establishing and maintaining agricultural experimental stations. Some sections of the bill are not entirely satisfactory, yet in general it should have our united and hearty support. I would especially refer you to the report of the Educational Committee of the National Grange at its recent session on this subject, urging you to take strong grounds in favor of the general principles of the bill, not only in this Grange, but in every Sub-ordinate Grange in the State, at your very next meeting."

DECEMBER 6, 1887 . . . . "I would recommend a committee from each Grange to visit Our Agricultural Experiment Station at New Haven, and become better acquainted with the Station officers and their work. These men are glad to meet the farmers of the State, and to receive their suggestions. Their "Forage Garden," where they have at the present time eighty-one species of Connecticut grasses, is well worthy of the careful study of any committee, and would furnish the material for a grand report to the home Grange."

JANUARY 14, 1889 . . . . "The Agricultural Experiment Stations both at New Haven and at the State School, so far as their managers are able, are working in the best interests of a more intelligent and, therefore, profitable agriculture . . . . When the government first gave us the money for the establishment of what is known as the "Hatch Experiment Station," an earnest effort was made by many of our farmers to have the station established at the Storrs School Farm, where the boys might have the full benefit of association with the station and its offices, and also be able to assist in some of the work, and thereby obtain more employment than the school alone was able to

offer. The Legislature, however, divided the appropriation (\$15,000 annually) between the State Station at New Haven and the trustees of the Storrs School. This was bad enough, but when the Trustees established the station at Mansfield, and then divided it and opened a branch establishment at Middletown, in the judgment of many of our best people, a mistake was made that should be rectified at a very early date. The reasons for this course were partially that the director elected lived in Middletown and partially because better facilities for laboratory work were offered them. Now, however, that the director has gone to a broader field of work, and laboratory accommodations can be furnished at the school, it would appear that more and better work can be done if the whole station was placed at Mansfield, as was first intended."

Activity on the part of the Grange organization resulted in the removal from Middletown to Mansfield of the part of the Station that had been located in Middletown.

Eventually the work was all located in New Haven where it still is today.

The Grange has worked toward making this Connecticut Station one of the most outstanding Experimental Stations in the Nation. One of the best known accomplishments of this Station was the development of hybrid corn, which revolutionized corn growing throughout the country.

## THE GRANGE INSPECTION SERVICE

The early records reveal that the old adage "There is nothing new under the sun" is as true today as when it was first made, for we find a splendid "Inspection Service" carefully outlined for those who inspected the Granges to follow. It has incorporated within its question all of the fundamental ones to be found upon the Inspection Sheet of today. It was suggested by State Master J. H. Hale in his annual address on December 7, 1886 and is as follows:

1. Place and hour of meeting.....
2. Number of regular meetings held during year.....number of special ones.....

3. Number of members.....Males  
.....Females  
Number of members under 20 years  
of age.....Males  
.....Females
4. Condition of Secretary's Records
5. Condition of Roll-book
6. Condition of Dues Record
7. Condition of Treasurer's Accounts
8. Condition of regalia, jewels, emblems, etc., and care displayed
9. Average Attendance
10. Promptness in Opening and Closing Meetings
11. Proper attire as Patrons, and observance of good order
12. Excellence in the work of the ritual
13. Is the opening and closing service committed?
14. Proficiency of the Grange in the "unwritten work"
15. Features observed, or means used to make the Grange a success
16. What means are taken to increase membership?
17. Are public meetings held?
18. Remarks, as to the present condition, future prospects, etc.

This type of inspection report was used by most of the Masters. It is also found that many of the State Masters used no inspection report at all, but we find that for a number of years one much like this one formed in 1886 has been used diligently.

## BED QUILT MAP OF THE STATE

During the January 1889, the Fourth Session of the Connecticut State Grange Sister Emma T. Gold, wife of the State Grange Treasurer and Chairman of the newly formed Women's Work Standing Committee from North Cornwall Grange No. 32, presented for display a silken bed quilt map of the State, which attracted great attention from the ladies. It is a correct outline map of the whole State, each county in a different colored silk: Hartford County, light brown; New Haven County, canary; Fairfield County, light blue; Litchfield County, rich car-

dinal; Tolland County, pink; Windham County, white; New London County, garnet; and Middlesex County, peacock blue, united by various styles of fancy stitches dear to the eye of all ladies. Town lines are all correctly outlined in white silk fancy stitches, lakes, ponds and rivers in blue, and railroads in black. It has a black satin border of six inches handsomely embroidered in old gold, a long arrow on the left to show the points of compass, and the name of Connecticut across the bottom in large German text handsomely worked in old gold. The Charter Oak in white and the seal of the State in Green and Old Gold, are down in the right hand corner.

## PAST STATE MASTERS

### BADGES AND SASHES

The first Past State Masters Badge to ever be presented to a Connecticut State Master was presented in 1893. In the 1894 Journal of Proceedings we find the following: "Brother Howard C. Peck, of Hope Grange No. 20 offered the following, which was adopted: Resolved: That a record of the presentation of the Past Master's Badge of Love at the State Meeting of the Grange in Torrington in 1893, be placed upon the records of the Annual of 1894 as a testimonial of affectionate and grateful recognition of the persistence and perseverance in holding the Grange of Connecticut together by Father Sherman Kimberly of Hope Grange, No. 20'.

Through some error somewhere, the record of last year failed to show it, and it is here inserted: A very handsome Past Master's Badge has been procured and Worthy Master George Austin Bowen, rising in the midst of a very busy session, asked Brother Sherman Kimberly to come to the platform; he, little thinking what was coming and wholly unprepared for anything, except more work for the good of the Order, was quickly at his side, when he told him of the esteem and gratitude the members of the Order would ever hold towards him for the work he was so faithful in and asked him to accept the badge of "Past Master," as a token of remem-



brance and love from the Connecticut State Grange. As soon as he could find words, he disclaimed all personality in the work and accepted it as a token of their annual love for the good the Order had accomplished, and thus ended a very pleasant exchange of greetings which will long remain in the minds of those who witnessed it."

For a number of years prior to the gold sash (Assembly of Demeter) issuance, we presented our Past State Masters when they no longer held any office a pink State Grange Sash with P.M. upon it. For a number of years the Executive Committee tried to get sashes for the wives of the Past State Masters but none were available. When the National Grange designed and made available a gold sash known as the Assembly of Demeter sash, Connecticut gave them to all their past voting delegates, a custom which is still continued.

The Past State Master's Badge presented to Father Sherman Kimberly in 1893 is one of the prized possessions belonging to Past State Master Sherman Kimberly Ives, his grandson. This badge is made from heavy dark green silk ribbon, a little larger than the State Grange Delegates Badges. It has gold fringe on the bottom, a large square gold frame made to look like wood in the chasing with letters about 1½ inches high within this square of P.M. denoting Past Master. In heavy gold above the square is a heavy strip of gold formed like a wavy ribbon with CONNECTICUT STATE GRANGE engraved upon it. This whole Badge is suspended from a heavy gold bar pin chased with oak leaves on either end with P.H. cut out of the bar. On the green silk ribbon is the words in gold lettering CONNECTICUT STATE GRANGE P. of H. encased in a row above and a row beneath of gold stars.

### HISTORIES

Histories are written from various viewpoints, but they all have the same goal, the recording of dates and events in a convenient place easily accessible to those who strive to look up data when needed.

The Journals of Proceedings of our State Grange are each a history within themselves. Much separate record information within the State Secretary's office is another page of history, but that too is not easily available to all. We find many discrepancies in the same Journal and had to seek further many times to either prove or disprove them. The book, *The Connecticut Granges*, published in 1900, has proven many times to be so inaccurate that we only used parts of it when we failed to find information elsewhere. We feel that this book was written with the best of intent, but much must certainly have been from memory, which at best is often faulty.

Sister Sarah Curtis, Past Lecturer of the Connecticut State Grange, started to gather materials for a History and had many useful items, dates, etc. which have been used, which she thoughtfully passed on to me, and for which I thank her.

During October 1950 the 66th Annual Session of the Connecticut State Grange Resolution "R" was presented and adopted, "Whereas, To continue and complete the history of Grange activities in the State of Connecticut, Be It Resolved, That the Good of the Order Committee of the 66th Annual Session of the State Grange recommend the appointment of Sister Lida S. Ives as historian to prepare a history of Connecticut Granges, and that the Executive Committee be empowered to authorize the editing and publishing of the history, the price of which will not exceed two dollars (\$2.00) per copy."

### NATIONAL GRANGE SESSIONS HELD IN CONNECTICUT

The National Grange has twice seen fit to honor the State of Connecticut by holding two of their National Sessions within the State. The first time was upon the meeting of the 41st Annual Session of the National Grange in November 1907. A class of 2,490 took the seventh degree at that time. The second time was upon the 68th Annual Session in November 1934. To those who remember this last occasion, will come to

mind the crowds that literally stopped the traffic in the Capitol City upon the day the Degree was taken. A record breaking class of 12,679 thrilled to the wonders of the Degree of Ceres.

### THE STUDENT LOAN

On January 15, 1913, we find that Brother Charles A. Wheeler of Storrs brought in the following resolution which established the institution of the "Student Loan." This resolution was referred to the Committee on Education and is as follows: Whereas, A great service can be rendered to the sons and daughters of Grangers and of other farmers of Connecticut by loans to help students through stringent years in their college course, be it Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the Connecticut State Grange be hereby authorized to pay to the Trustees of the Connecticut Agricultural College such sums, not exceeding one thousand dollars in toto, as can be advantageously used by said Trustees for loans to students, and be it further Resolved, That the said Committee be authorized to fix or co-operate with the Trustees in fixing the terms and principles upon which such loans shall be made, provided such students shall be members of the Grange. This resolution was adopted and then amended to apply to members of the Grange only.

Since this date of origin, a Committee composed of three elected members with the State Master and State Lecturer serving as ex officio members, have administered this Fund. The elected members are, one elected each year by the State Grange body and serve for a three-year term. Since its inception various means of raising money for this Fund have been evolved, with most of the contributions now coming from the Subordinate and Pomona Granges. Under various State Masters we find that one of the fixed requirements upon the Goal Sheet has been a contribution to the Student Loan Fund. This has naturally stimulated the growth and usefulness of their Treasury. Many Students throughout the years have been given that needed aid where without it they would have been forced to leave school without finishing their education.

This is indeed one of the outstanding High Lights of Connecticut Grange History.

### THE NEW ENGLAND LECTURERS' CONFERENCE

Brother Charles A. Wheeler of Storrs, Connecticut conceived the idea of the Lecturers within the New England States holding an Annual Conference somewhere during the summer months in order that an exchange of ideas might benefit their work and thus establish a stronger Grange from the results.

In an interview Brother Wheeler tells me that it was sometime before the idea took root. Sometime about 1910 or 1911 he talked with some of the State Lecturers and Officers in Boston, while attending an Officers' conference there in regard to the above idea. They all agreed that it was an excellent thought. They all took the idea home and they all got no results from it. Again he talked it up again, again, no results, until the mighty water drop idea wore through and found the interest. The first Conference held in Connecticut was in August 1918. This was attended by all the New England State Lecturers except Maine's, and by nearly 300 Subordinate and Pomona Lecturers and Patrons. In 1919 the New England Lecturers' Conference goes in turn to Rhode Island. Each New England State held in turn a Conference thereafter, with the exception of the years during World War II. At first the Conference catered to the Lecturers of the State where they met with guest speakers, being the State Lecturers of the other New England States as well as the National Lecturer and other persons of prominence. Gradually it grew, until the year they first went to Maine, when Brother Wheeler set up as a goal to take 50 Connecticut Lecturers with him. When the calvacade rolled into Maine he had succeeded in having eighty instead of the fifty promised and the New England Lecturers' Conference became a certainty. This important date in the Grange calendar of every Granger has proven beyond a doubt what an idea can result in. This year (1953) again saw Connecticut the Host State and the enrollment was bigger and better than ever.



## GRANGE PUBLICATIONS

In the history of any organization that prospers through the years, we find the necessity of some sort of organ or publication through which the ideas used and coming event information can make themselves readily available to those members who are not always able to get them first hand. During the early days of Connecticut Grange History we find various outlets for such information. The paper "The Connecticut Granger" was one of these; another edited and published by Sister Linda Kimball of Ellington Grange served the Connecticut Patrons for a number of years; The New England Homestead, Herbert Myrick, Editor, a member of Vernon Grange, was another outlet; and various papers such as the Hartford Courant and the Hartford Times, have from the early days of Connecticut Granges, given us generously of their time and space. Gradually as the Grange grew, the need of an alert National Paper or Magazine was felt. In November 1907 a National Grange paper was started, known as the National Grange Official Organ. This continued to serve the Patrons of Connecticut and elsewhere until May 1910 when the present National Grange Monthly came into being, with Brother Charles M. Gardner of Westfield, Massachusetts as the managing editor. The National Grange Monthly was continued under his managership until May 1946 when William Ayres of California took over. He held that office for a brief time only until C. M. Hall was hired to fill that post, which at this writing, is still filled by him.

Connecticut, especially since 1910, has taken a vital interest in the National Grange Monthly and we find they have heartily supported it ever since. In April 1919 the first page of Connecticut news appeared in the Monthly. Since that time we have had anywhere from one to three or more pages devoted to the doings of our Connecticut Granges and its Patrons.

Connecticut was the first State to have the Paper come into the Home of every Granger by vote and payment of the State Grange. We pay for one paper

for each family in our dues, paid from Subordinate to State Grange each quarter. This was started at the January 1929 Session of the Connecticut State Grange held in Bridgeport when the Quarterly dues were raised from 12 to 15 cents with the following stipulation: "And be it further resolved, That the Connecticut State Grange supply one copy of the National Grange Monthly to each Grange family in Connecticut."

## THE NATIONAL GRANGE MUTUAL LIABILITY COMPANY OF KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

"During the Wichita, Kansas, National Grange Session in November 1922, the annual address of National Master Sherman J. Lowell, contains the following: Along with what the Grange has done so successfully in fire insurance . . . we hope to see at this meeting a further plan perfected for supplying automobile insurance for Grange members. In anticipation of such an undertaking the national master appointed early in the year Brothers Thompson and Smith of the Executive Committee to work out a plan and present it to you in such form as they deemed best suits the need of our membership, safeguarding it with all needed security warrants. There are great possibilities here and the subject may wisely have our earnest investigation. After a thorough study of automobile insurance I am convinced that we are paying for the reckless city drivers' smash-ups, with the result that our present Automobile insurance cost is much more expensive than it should be if we had our own insurance." This Committee of two rendered the following report: "Supplemental Report of Committee on Automobile Liability and Property Insurance. The Committee appointed at the last session to inquire into the feasibility of having a Grange Liability and Property Insurance for Automobiles, wish to report that they have inquired carefully into the matter and find that wholly a Mutual Cooperative Grange Company would be very desirable. It is impossible at present to start such a Company, as every State requires a large reserve deposit. Several Companies have offered to contract with the National Grange through the



Executive Committee, to place such insurance for Grange members at 20 to 30% below the regular standard rates, and to enter into a profit-sharing plan on net profits, if any, with the privilege to withdraw when the Grange so desires. We recommend the endorsement of this plan and that the Executive Committee be instructed to work out the details of the plan and place such contract." This resolution was referred to the Standing Committee on Insurance. Their report reads as follows: "Additional Report of the Committee on Insurance, on the supplementary report of the Executive Committee read by Brother Thompson, the committee approve and report adopted. We endorse the report of the Special Committee on Automobile and Property Insurance and recommend that they thoroughly investigate and work out the details of such plans to submit to the next session of the National Grange. We further recommend that these plans be submitted to every State Master for study at least 60 days before the annual session." Later in this same session, Brother Goss moved the Executive Committee be authorized to put into operation the automobile and property insurance as outlined in the Supplementary report of the Executive Committee. Supported by Brother Needham and carried.

During the Pittsburgh, Pa. Session of the National Grange held in November 1923, we find the following in National Master Sherman J. Lowell's annual address: "The report of the Executive Committee Secretary will give complete details of the starting of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company for automobile owners in our order, complying with the instructions given by the National Grange at the Wichita Session. The National Master feels that here is a great source of possible service to the entire membership of our Order and that this session should realize the full importance of the project upon which we have embarked. Here again is the call for loyal support, especially by the officers of the various State Granges, and upon their response the success of the new undertaking wholly rests. If State Masters are prepared to take up this opportunity to carry it widely to

their members and to faithfully urge its value upon their consideration, it will be a far reaching success and the reward for your efforts will be found in the material compensations that the members everywhere will derive. If this is not done, and if the project is allowed to drift during the coming year—which is its crucial time, of course—then the outcome will be equally certain and disaster will overtake the project." Under the Executive Committee we find the following report: "Keene, N. H., March 28, 1923. Present: National Master Lowell, Brothers Eugene Eckert and Leslie R. Smith of the Committee. The meeting was held for the purpose of hearing the report of Bro. Leslie R. Smith in regard to arranging for the organization of a company to insure automobiles belonging to members of the Grange. After a lengthy discussion of the matter, it was Voted: To organize such a company, application having been made and signed for the organization of such a company, and a tentative list of officers was elected, as follows:

Directors: Sherman J. Lowell; Richard C. Carrick; William J. Thompson; William F. Perry; Eugene A. Eckert; Herbert N. Sawyer; Leslie R. Smith; Walter G. Perry; A. L. Strivings; Philip H. Faulkner; C. D. Richardson, and C. E. Spence.

President: Leslie R. Smith  
Vice-President: Eugene A. Eckert  
Secretary: Richard C. Carrick  
Treasurer: William F. Perry

At the June 4, 1923, Executive Committee Meeting held in Springfield, Massachusetts, "Messrs. Carrick and Perry, Secretary and Treasurer of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company, appeared before the Committee relative to the matter of getting the five hundred applications necessary in order that a charter might be granted the company. The necessity was shown for a quick, intensive drive in order that we could begin to write policies and after some discussion, It Was Voted: That the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) be placed in the hands of the Secretary of the National Grange Executive Committee, for the development of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company and

that as much of this sum be expended upon vouchers submitted by the office of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company, for expenses incurred in getting applications necessary to secure the charter from the Commissioner of the State of New Hampshire, with the understanding that this sum should be rebated to the National Grange Executive Committee as soon as the financial conditions of the company shall warrant." The Committee on Insurance then brought in the following report: "Your Committee on Insurance has, in the time given, investigated as thoroughly as possible the personnel and aims of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company, and is convinced that the object of the Company is to grant liability and property damage insurance upon automobiles owned by members of the Grange, who are in good standing and remain so, at the lowest possible cost consistent with safety. We respectfully recommend—first, that the National Grange endorse the Company and second, that the Company be given all possible co-operation by the National and State Granges. We also recommend that the Company submit at each annual session of the National Grange, beginning with 1924, a report showing the Company's financial condition and business progress for the year preceding and at the same time suggest for approval a list of names to be chosen as Directors of the Company at the next annual meeting of the Company following the annual meeting of the National Grange."

The following is taken from the Company's report rendered by Brother Richard C. Carrick, Secretary of the Company, at the 1924 Atlantic City Session of the National Grange: "The following report covers the formation and progress of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company from its incorporation to October 31, 1924 inclusive. Your Company was incorporated under the General Laws of New Hampshire by direction of the Executive Committee of the National Grange, pursuant to a vote taken at the annual session of the National Grange, at Wichita, Kansas, in 1922. The Insurance Commissioner of New Hampshire licensed and authorized

the Company to begin business on July 18, 1923. The Company was incorporated in New Hampshire because the Statutes were much more favorable there for the formation of a Company than in any of the other States where surveys of the requirements were made. The Insurance Laws of New Hampshire governing the operation of a Company subsequent to its incorporation are as exacting as the statutes of other states. Our Company is required to meet the rigid supervision of the Insurance Commissioner of New Hampshire in the very same respects as any other company, whether domestic or foreign, Stock or Mutual, that is authorized to transact business within the Granite State. With the knowledge that most Patrons are property owners and as such, if automobile owners, need automobile insurance; and in the just and unquestionable belief that members of the Grange as a whole are morally better risks, careful and painstaking drivers and that they were being required to pay a greater premium for their automobile insurance than they should be, our Company was founded. How well our belief has been borne out will be evidenced by the balance of this report. The Company is purely mutual, there being no stockholders. Whatever the Company can earn in the way of profits after paying claims and expenses and after setting up reserves as required by law, will, by vote of the Directors, be paid to the Policyholders as dividends, thereby further reducing Patrons' premium. Most of the Directors are well-known officers of either the National or State Granges and we are happy to report that the Grange Company's home office family are all members in good standing of Cheshire Grange No. 131, of New Hampshire." The rest of the report deals with the financial condition of the company and its aims and objectives.

Connecticut enters this picture of Automobile Insurance when it was licensed to operate within the State of Connecticut on September 9, 1928. Louis G. Tolles, of Southington, Connecticut, was elected to the Board of Directors of that Company and has remained upon this Board up to the present time of writing this book.



This Company has continued to write members of the Grange and their immediate families within their respective households, within this State although they have changed from their original policy, in writing all people eligible whether members of the Grange or not in other States.

This Company has saved thousands of dollars for the Connecticut Patrons insured with them since their inception within the State. They have rendered quick and satisfactory coverage and service.

We have a Branch Claim Office in the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Building on Naubuc Ave., in Glastonbury, Connecticut. Here Gordon Bishop is the head Claim man and his staff gives excellent service to those insured in that Company. There are just a little under fifty agents operating within the State for this Company. We have a Field agency man which is shared with the Southwestern Massachusetts territory.

As stated before, the Headquarters of this Company is in Keene, New Hampshire. On September 29, 1950 the Cornerstone Laying Ceremony was held. This building was occupied by the Company in July 1951. It is a beautiful structure and an imposing addition to the business of Keene.

I would like to pay tribute to Richard Carrick, the Secretary of this Company, whose keen business ability, whose unselfish devotion, whose fair judgment and fine qualities have lead the way in making this Company what it is today. The reason for the success of this Company is due largely to his leadership.

### **STORRS COMMUNITY HOUSE AND STORRS CHURCH**

Brother Charles A. Wheeler in his annual report at the January 1925 Session of the Connecticut State Grange held in Foot Guard Hall, Hartford, Connecticut, gave us the following: "The Community Church at Storrs is making a gigantic effort to build a Community House and Church and provide an en-

dowment, all adequate to meet the spiritual needs of students and faculty. State funds cannot be used for this purpose. There are two reasons why Connecticut patrons of husbandry may be interested in this project. First, the bigger one, is in order to strengthen the spiritual life of our college community where many of their sons and daughters are educated and from which they go back to influence the home towns. Thoughtful people in diverse occupations are emphasizing the need of more spiritual training in our civilization. The smaller, though quite valid argument for support, is the much enlarged opportunity for our local Grange to function. Mansfield Grange No. 64, is one of the earliest and still about the best of the college Granges. Many Agricultural Colleges have such Granges. In some, students only are officers and run the Granges. In others, members of the faculty join but are difficult to keep interested. We are fortunate in having a happy blending of students and faculty both in membership and in office. The vestry of the church, in which we now meet, accommodates comfortably 25 to 35 patrons, about one quarter of our membership. With the building of a Community House and the making of ample provision for our needs, I think it will be practicable to increase our membership four fold. The Grange is the one place where faculty, their families and students can meet in a friendly manner.

In view of our order's past achievements of great objects, it seems to me it would be appropriate for Patrons of Connecticut to participate in this worthy movement."

The movement took hold, with the following results:

From October 1925 through December 1925, \$375.45 was paid to this project. From December 1925 to January 1927, \$608.69 was paid to this project.

From March 1929 to December 1929, \$1,543.14 was paid to this project.

During 1930, \$50.00 was paid this project.



A total of \$2,577.28 was contributed through the State Grange Treasury to this combined Church and Community House at Storrs. Other funds between 1927 and 1929 were sent in direct. Me thinks that the golden tones issuing from that lofty steeple play a faintly familiar tune.

### GRANGE SUNDAY

The Grange Ritual is filled with many Bible quotations and references. The Grange cannot legally open without the Bible being opened upon our Altar. The Grange and the Church have much in common, each helping and supporting the other without regard to Creed, as the Grange is non-sectarian in its principles.

For many years the Grange has urged a special Go-To-Church Sunday. Sometime after the beautiful church was completed at Storrs, we read under the Master's report from Mansfield Grange, the following: "The Storrs church had a special service for Grange Members on May 5, 1929 and members from all over Connecticut and some of the surrounding states attended the services here. We consider this one of the worth while accomplishments for the past year and the settlement of the visiting grange members seemed to be that a Grange Sunday should be an annual event here." So our Annual "CONNECTICUT GRANGE SUNDAY" was launched. The morning services are devoted to the regular morning service of any church and from time to time there has been outstanding Guest Speakers, many who have been of nationwide prominence. During the afternoon a musical service is rendered with a short guest speaker in attendance. These have been held every year since then with the exception of the War Years 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945.

The success of this service has been proven by the crowds gathered outside upon some occasions who heard the service through a loud speaker system as they were unable to get within the church. Mansfield Grange has been host upon these occasions and served some hot and cold drink refreshments. We

are indeed privileged to gather together and worship under one roof in the House of the Lord that we all helped to erect. May this custom have far reaching influence so that others will "go and do likewise."

### THE GRANGE TRACT IN THE PEOPLES FOREST

At the 45th Annual Session of the Connecticut State Grange held in January 1930, the following Resolution was accepted and adopted: "Brother Albert W. Lillibridge, Chairman of the Legislative Committee, offered a favorable report on a resolution pertaining to the Peoples Forest. Report accepted and the resolution adopted and placed in the hands of the Executive Committee for action.

WHEREAS:- The state forestry department is doing valuable economic and demonstrative work, and  
WHEREAS:- The Peoples Forest, so-called, in Barkhamsted, is being purchased with funds donated by individuals and associations, and more land is desirable and available,  
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:- That the Connecticut State Grange appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100) dollars for this purpose."

In the Executive Committee Minutes of January 16, 1930, we find that Chairman Allen Cook was instructed to request the State Forest and Park Association to use the appropriation of the State Grange in one plot so that it may be known as the State Grange Plot . . . In the February 17, 1930 Executive Committee Minutes we find the following: "As an appropriation was made to aid in the purchase and development of a State Forest more generally known as the Peoples Forest and owing to the nature of the organization, it developed that the \$100 thus appropriated appeared to be rather small and consequently inadequate to purchase a plot worthy of bearing the name of our organization, therefore, the State Master and Chairman Cook were directed to formulate a letter to go to Pomona and Subordinate Granges asking small contributions to the above fund. . . . Brother

Cook later reported that \$484 was available toward a plot in the Peoples Forest and presented a diagram of twenty acres located near the highway. Upon motion of Brother Sherwood, seconded by Brother Welton, it was voted to direct Brother Cook to take the required action to have the section referred to, designated as the "Grange Plot." Upon motion duly seconded it was voted to authorize the drawing of an order on the Treasurer for \$16.00 to complete a fund of \$500 to pay for the plot with the anticipation that the \$16 would be collected to reimburse the treasury. Brother Welton was granted permission to invite some of the good brothers in his part of the State to meet with him at the plot referred to and clear some of the brush near the parking space.

### FIELD DAYS

Grangers work when they work and play when they play as the old saying goes, "that all work and no play makes the worthy patron a dull one."

Since the beginning of Grange work in Connecticut our records are well studded with minutes of play, some being of the picnic type. Some needed "A National Master" as an excuse to get together, others needed no more than the honest urge to relax and visit amongst ourselves. We find where sea-shore excursions were taken by individual Granges in the Good Old Train Days; we find excursions to New York for the day; we find outings at various State Officers' homes, at Lake Quassapaug, Compounce, etc.; Sherwood Island and Leete's Island were favorite spots for those who lived inland and hankered for the salt air; but where or when, Grangers and their families were ready to turn out in numbers, to support the cause, or to just have a good time.

One of the later ones held which was most memorable and outstanding was held at the home of the then State Master, Louis G. Tolles, in Southington in August 1931.

In passing it would not be fitting but to state that the fellowship and comradeship enjoyed and developed by this

informal rubbing of elbows and ideas brings out Grange dividends in the future.

### ENDOWMENT FUND OR FOUNDATION

In 1932, State Master Louis G. Tolles recommended the setting up of an Endowment Fund, the following being taken from his Annual Address: "This, if correctly set up, is destined to be one of the Connecticut State Grange's greatest tangible assets.

It is a permanent fund, belongs to and is controlled entirely by the Connecticut State Grange just like all Grange Funds are and the interest only from the invested fund is to be used for such works as the Grange may elect to undertake. It is not to be used for regular running expenses of the Grange, however.

The Endowment Fund Committee can be relied upon to create and build up this fund, but has no hand in investing the principal, nor spending the interest. This is always done through the State Grange or its Executive Committee as all other Funds are handled."

In the Treasurer's Report we find on hand on January 1, 1932, \$188.10 labeled as the Foundation Fund.

In the Executive Committee Report given at this same session, we find: "March 3, 1931, Meeting—Endowment Fund. Brother Charles T. Davis joined the Committee and the matter of an endowment fund was discussed at some length but no action was taken. October 22, 1931, meeting. Endowment Fund Committee. Brothers C. T. Davis and W. E. Templeton were present in the interest of this committee at the same meeting under Endowment Fund. This matter was presented by Brothers Templeton and Davis and was discussed at some length. December 14, 1931 Meeting. Endowment Fund. A report of the Endowment Fund Committee was presented by Brother Miller, Secretary of the Committee. Voted: That the report of the Endowment Fund Committee be accepted and adopted as read. Thanks. Voted that we extend our

thanks to the members of the Endowment Fund Committee in carrying on its work."

Brother Templeton and Brother Davis have both been called to the Great Grange above, and we find little mention after this. In 1953 this Foundation sum has grown to over \$1,120.68. Let us revive it and get it to doing good.

### "GETTING CONNECTICUT OUT OF THE MUD"

One of the outstanding accomplishments of the Grange in Connecticut in recent years was "Getting Connecticut Out Of The Mud," promoted by Past States Master Louis G. Tolles, a member of Union Grange No. 25 of Southington, Connecticut. The following is the story in his words which he has supplied me upon request:

"In the Spring of 1930 when the sun was high and the mud deep, many a Connecticut Rural Road was impassible to negotiate either by motor or horse drawn vehicle. The man in Town could not drive into the Rural areas to conduct his business nor could the farmer or rural dweller likewise reach the Towns and Cities for days sometimes, having to await the action of the elements, either to freeze the mud or dry it up.

In either case the result was ruts, holes, and turn outs which were troublesome and costly to meet.

It was on one of these days, which was an annual occurrence, early in 1930, that I stepped to the phone to ask the then first selectman why he had not fulfilled his promise to me that the worst mud holes on my own road would be filled to make the road at least passable.

The reception I received from the man on the other end of the phone was anything but cordial. He hung up on me three times, the last time his parting words were unprintable.

I learned later that he and another official of the town had been out with a horse drawn vehicle inspecting roads and had been stuck for more than two

hours. He had just returned when I made my call. You can see now why I can't say what he said before he slammed up the receiver.

This episode set me thinking.

I was then entering my first two-year term as Master of the Connecticut State Grange.

I said to myself, this thing is bigger than any city or town; it is a problem of the State. I immediately sat down and wrote a letter to every Subordinate and Pomona Master asking for a meeting in the Hall of the House in the Capitol at Hartford, Connecticut. Arrangements were made and the meeting held, attended by a huge gathering from all parts of the State.

Mr. Clifford Hough was Chairman of the Meeting. Much discussion ensued and to make a long story short the state wide movement was launched to go after State Funds for Rural Roads in every Town in the State.

Being State Master, of course I had the backing of the State Grange.

However, let me say, that because I kicked this thing off all by myself without conferring with my Executive Committee, when we did meet their faces were long enough to eat oats out of a churn.

However, when they saw the popularity of it all, they being good sports, I guess forgave me and pitched in and helped through to the end like good soldiers.

By this time, the newspapers had begun to spread the news of our doings, some favorable and some rather dubious, and others just hostile.

I was called nice things by some, other things by others and then there were some who said I was a ———?

One of the greatest pieces of encouragement I ever received was a letter from Dr. William L. Higgins, who was then in Washington, D.C., as a member of Congress, who wrote me that he was heartily in accord with my attempts to make rural roads a State Problem. I



went to see Dr. Higgins in Washington several times and we became close friends from then on. I do not recall ever having met him prior to this correspondence.

I do recall however having seen him alone and single handed try to get the State Legislature to do something about country roads but without success.

I also recall Mr. H. O. Daniels of Middletown, Connecticut, together with Thomas Holt of Newington, going before the Legislature in the early days (in the 20's) asking for 10% of the gas tax to be returned to the Towns for highway use. This would then amount to an average of about \$150.00 annually per town. (Peanuts!) but Brother Daniels was referred to by some who opposed his efforts as a highway robber and a hijacker, etc.

Let us skip some more detail for lack of space.

Promptly after the big meeting in the Capitol we founded the Connecticut Rural Roads Improvement Association Incorporated and I was elected President and to this day am still acting in that capacity, continuously for about twenty-three years. I cannot thus forsake myself of the job though I have tried several times to do so.

To the original county chairman of the C.R.R.I.A. we all owe much for the success of the efforts.

To the Connecticut State Grange for a loan of \$600.00 to start the C.R.R.I.A. off, we owe much. This sum was repaid in full later.

The C.R.R.I.A. was formed principally to take the financial load off the State Grange. Both always worked beautifully together.

I want to here name the County Chairmen of the Original Committee with the Officers. They were:

President: Louis G. Tolles, Southington, Connecticut.

Vice-President: Robert C. Mitchell, Southbury, Connecticut.

Secretary: Charles Kilbourne, Bantam, Connecticut.

Treasurer: Berkeley J. Florian, Plantsville, Connecticut.

Representing the Connecticut State Grange: J. Arthur Sherwood, Easton; Minor Ives, South Meriden; Louis G. Tolles, Southington.

Hartford County: A. P. Marsh, New Britain, Connecticut.

New Haven County: J. Edward Coer, Southbury, Connecticut.

Fairfield County: Iverson C. Fanton, Westport, Connecticut.

Litchfield County: William E. Templeton, Kent, Connecticut.

New London County: Merion Bartlett, Jewett City, Connecticut.

Windham County: Leonard H. Healey, Woodstock, Connecticut.

Tolland County: Dr. William L. Higgins, South Coventry, Connecticut.

Middlesex County: John H. Miller, Clinton, Connecticut.

These Officers and County Directors or Committeemen labored hard and long and drove many miles over the state in their activities for better rural roads for Connecticut and to them especially and those who followed after some of the original group passed on. The people of Connecticut owe an everlasting debt of gratitude for their foresight and tireless effort, the results of which are a shining example of what concerted effort and honest cooperation can do. Every Committeeman travelled no one knows how many miles, night and day at his own expense to bring about this accomplishment and no one knows better than I the sacrifice they made.

I will say that I drove my Master-Six Buick exactly one hundred thirteen thousand, seven hundred and forty miles before turning it in and I dare say half of it must have been on behalf of rural roads.

None of us ever received one penny for our time and nothing for expense except where actual cash was expended.

Not one of us regretted what we did because the results have been so worthwhile.

It is with a great deal of satisfaction that I can say that after the Campaign for Rural Roads in 1930 was over the Legislature passed the so-called TOWN AID BILL for \$3,000,000.00 to be allotted from the Highway Fund for division equally among the 169 Towns, giving each an allotment of about \$17,750.00 annually to be spent under supervision of the Highway Department.

One of our valued County Committeemen, Mr. William Templeton of Kent, was at this time a member of the Legislature and he successfully led the fight there for the C.R.R.I.A. and the Grange.

Since the original \$3,000,000.00 allocation there has been added several times to this fund, which now is about six million dollars a year, divided variously (not equally) among the Towns where the need is greatest.

Dr. Higgins was really Father to the Thought many years before and meeting with only stiff opposition, gave up the fight.

He always referred to me as Mother to the idea as after we all got together we got results.

There is much more to tell and some that can't be told yet concerning this achievement which I can say with no little pride for my State that as a result of all this effort one may ride over Connecticut night or day almost everywhere and about any time of the year and find a hard surfaced Highway from your door to mine.

In conclusion may I say that unknown to you all and with the assistance of the Secretary of State a few years ago, I succeeded in getting the Legislature to set aside a certain piece of local Highway in the Town of Coventry and post it as the William Lincoln Higgins Highway. This was accomplished before Dr. Higgins passed on and it has always been a deep source of pleasure to me that he lived to see the Bronze signs designating that piece of Highway in his honor, for the long and pa-

tient service he rendered to all the peoples of the State.

Signed: L. G. Tolles, President  
The Connecticut Rural Roads  
Improvement Association.

May I add here, that Brother Louis, you too, must have everlasting satisfaction for the labors you contributed to making this much needed movement a success. The only material evidence you have is the pen which the Governor signed The Dirt Road Bill with, but you have the gratitude of the thousands who daily pass over the splendid hard surfaced roads you helped to create.

## NEW ENGLAND STATES OFFICERS CONFERENCE AT BOSTON

Just how long this custom of the New England States sending their Masters, Overseers, Lecturers, Secretaries, Juvenile Superintendents, Home Economic Chairmen and Members of their Executive Committees to Boston each year for a New England State Officers Conference, seems to be a matter of question.

During the first six years of our State Grange the subject of Grange Life Insurance came up each year and our Executive Committee travelled many times to Boston conferences to confer with other New England Grange Officers upon what if any success they had had in this Field and even made a final attempt to start a Life Insurance Company within the six New England States for Patrons alone, each State participating in it.

We also find many other references of our officers attending such conferences which seemed to be held almost any time the spirit moved and someone had initiative to write and call such a meeting. We also find references where the Executive Committee authorized upon certain occasions that certain officers attend a meeting of Officers with expenses paid.

It seems to have become a permanent conference under National Master, Brother Louis J. Taber. We find in our records just prior to the National

Grange coming to Hartford in 1934, that such a conference was held upon the call of the National Master, also one in 1935 upon his call, as well as one in 1936, and for one each year thereon. This Conference became organized and elects a President and Vice-President and Secretary to serve a two year term. These Officers preside over the meeting, help with the agenda and keep things from wandering from an even keel. Connecticut has had two Presidents of this Conference, Sidney Hall and Ira F. Wilcox. Many worthwhile ideas have arisen from this conference and the close fellowship between these State Officers and the National Officers attending have ripened into lasting friendships. We believe that this section of the country is the first to have instituted such conferences and several have sprung up since this beginning.

## 50TH STATE GRANGE

### ANNIVERSARY

Time passes on and on June 24, 1935 we celebrated our 50th year as a State Grange. In reading through the records I find an excellent description written by Sister Sarah Curtis, then Lecturer of the State Grange which I will use as she presented it in her Annual Report in January 1936, and is as follows: "On June 24 between five and six hundred Patrons from every corner of the State, gathered at Glastonbury to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Connecticut State Grange. This was rather a striking contrast to the group of 125 members, who fifty years ago gathered at Academy Hall, the meeting place of Glastonbury Grange, to organize this body. This year's group represented every Pomona Grange and nearly all of the Subordinates, as well as representatives from several of our Juvenile Granges. Glastonbury Grange, as at the organization meeting, acted as hosts on this occasion and spared no effort and expense to make it one long to be remembered. Four of the Charter Members—Mrs. Addie Stancliffe Hale, wife of former State Master J. H. Hale; George Hopson of Wallingford, former Lecturer of the State Grange; George H. Hale of Glastonbury, and J. H. Wil-

liams of Glastonbury (now unaffiliated) were our honored guests.

The guest speaker of the day was Mr. C. Palmer Chapman, Priest Archon of Demeter, of Westerly, R. I. Following the address an anniversary pageant was presented on an outdoor stage erected by Glastonbury Grange members for the occasion. Some of the scenes in the pageant were those used at our State Meeting last year, others were newly-written for the occasion. About two hundred members took part, including all of the Past Masters of the State Grange and their wives, as well as the present State Officers.

Synopsis of "Golden Memories," a Pageant of State Grange History, presented June 24, 1935:

Scene 1—Goshen, the home of Sherman Kimberly, May 28, 1885.

Scene 2—Academy Hall, Glastonbury, June 4, 1885.

Scene 3—Same, evening of the same day.

Scene 4—Central Pomona No. 1, organized.

Scene 5—Eighteen new Granges.

Scene 6—Inspection System Started.

Scene 7—December 1887, the Sixth Degree.

Scene 8—State Grange Picnic.

Scene 9—Off to Sacramento, California.

Scene 10—Connecticut honored with election of State Master Dr. George Austin Bowen to office of High Priest of Demeter.

Scene 11—First Lecturers' Conference.

Scene 12—1913—Student Loan Fund started.

Scene 13—1918-19 War

Scene 14—New Regalia.

Scene 15—National Grange Monthly enters every Grange Home in Connecticut.

Scene 16 — "Get-Connecticut-Out-of-the-Mud."

Scene 17—National Grange Session in Hartford.



Scene 18—"Community Service."

Scene 19—"Our Leaders."

Scene 20—Tribute and Pledge."

Arranged and presented by Sister Curtis, Lecturer.

This was indeed an impressive and long remembered day.

## FATHER KELLEY AND THE KELLEY HOMESTEAD

Oliver Hudson Kelley, the Founder of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, was born in Boston, Massachusetts on January 7, 1826. He is known as the Father of the Grange, a Brother to the Farmer and his family and a true Son of Old New England.

Generally speaking he was small in stature with a tendency towards heaviness in his build. He had a fine brow, piercing eyes and strong features based by an excellent growth of curly whiskers, which, in accordance with the times, he maintained from early manhood until his death in his 88th year, on January 20, 1913.

His character was dynamic. His thoughts were produced much faster than his busy fingers could execute them. His personality held so much drive and push that those around him felt this atomic energy and were either inspired and became a convert of his or were hopelessly lost in the whirl of his visions.

When twenty-one years of age he left Boston and went to Chicago. Here he held one position after another such as reporter, telegraph operator, and drug store clerk. He married a sixteen-year-old girl, named Lucy Earle of Chillicothe, Ohio in 1849.

During his wanderings he found peace and the most contentment and inspiration in the beautiful Mississippi River Valley, especially in Minnesota where the "Mighty Father of the Waters" is still clear and fresh enough to reflect the pure color of a golden sunrise, the heavenly blue of mid-day and the deep rose of twilight as well as the turbulent

broiling clouds of a mounting storm. To satisfy his love for this River and his love for the fertile plains beside it, where he hoped to farm, he made claim to a piece of land in what is now the township of Elk River, Minnesota.

This young couple moved to this land of glorious summer and terrifying winters in the summer of 1849. It is thought that he may have had a temporary quarters in a building on the place that the Itasca Indians, a branch of the Winnebago tribe, who used to barter in with the local traders.

There was a steamboat landing on the edge of the property at the bend of the River where in flood waters steamers came up the river, going at some times of the year as far as St. Cloud, about twenty miles further north, with passengers and goods to trade.

This landing is still in evidence on the property. Here the Indians every Spring and until late Fall carried on an extensive trade until reservations limits were pushed further back into the frontier by the ever invading whites.

The Indians were so much a part of this early life of Father Kelley, as we call him, and further because the Mighty Mississippi itself arose from its birth in Lake Itasca far to the North. Father Kelley felt he wanted to call his homestead Itasca and did so by using it upon all his letters whenever written from the Homestead. The Landing on the bend of the River was known as Itasca Landing.

The first fall months going into that first winter must have been heart breaking in many ways to Father Kelley and his child bride. Rugged Minnesota winters can seem pretty awful to a Bostonian and a bride far from her home.

Father Kelley is credited with having owned and operated the first reaping machine in Minnesota, and is given credit by the historical society of Minnesota with having erected the first frame barn in that state. In this famous list of firsts, honor should be certainly be given him on being the first person ever to be initiated into the Masonic Fraternity in the State of Minnesota.

The harsh winters proved too much for the frail child bride and she passed away on April 16, 1851, leaving a small baby behind. Father Kelley buried her beneath a flowering apple tree near the river she too had learned to love. The older Kelleys came on from Boston to look after the infant who did not long survive its mother. At the age of six months it too gave up the struggle to live and was laid to rest next its young mother. The older Kelleys settled in the Township of Elk River and remained there until their death. Thus the Kelley family both living and dead were united in Minnesota in 1852. Upon their deaths the second wife and Father Kelley were buried in Washington, D.C.

Father Kelley was an Episcopalian by faith and a Republican in politics. He stoutly insisted that this new Grange organization he so dearly loved should be strictly non-sectarian and non-political in its views and from its choice of members. In spite of this, today the almost unrevised ritualism he conceived is endowed with the beauty of the church, the fraternalism of his Masonic Order and the firm conservatism of his party.

His second wife, Temperance Baldwin Lane, was teaching in Minnesota when he met her, having come from Boston. They were married on July 7, 1852 and she proved an inspiration and tower of strength in his Grange work as long as she lived.

Father Kelley spent most of his time after 1861 away from Minnesota, only returning at crop time and when it became necessary to keep foreclosure from the Homestead. He was with the Department of Agriculture for some time, travelling through the South after the close of the Civil War, where the idea of a Farm Fraternity to bind the needs of the South with the help of the North came to him. After he gave up that work he went into the field all over the country spreading the light of the Grange and organizing where ever he could.

During the periods while at home, he built a rangy, flat roofed, tall roomed home facing his beloved river. It is

located at Elk River, Minnesota, about one-quarter mile off US Route 10 North, and about 30 miles north of the City of Minneapolis. The house sits on a wide river terrace some 300 feet from the edge of the river bank, high above ordinary flood water. At extremely low water the river is some 30 feet below the crest of this river bank.

Temperance Kelley and her niece, Caroline Hall, who acted as secretarial assistant to Father Kelley, ran the farm in his absence. They raised asparagus as one of their crops (a product introduced into Minnesota by Father Kelley from Washington, D.C.) and sold in Anoka, the first large village to the east of them. To this day, plants flourish along the garden edges and fence rows, and when I was there last fall, the land was dotted with many red berried bushes, no doubt bird and wind sown, still bearing mute testimony to the labors and efforts of these two gardeners, so long gleaned into the immortal garden above.

The house has 18 foot ceilings in its first story. As you enter the front hall 23 treads stretch upwards towards the upper story. The house is laid out in such a manner that the stairs are neither tiresome or difficult to climb. At the left, is a huge living room with a large square bay window, large enough to hold thirty or forty people for any occasion. On the right is a study with a window looking towards the steamboat landing bend in the river. Large lacy elms dot the meadow between the study and the river with that grace which only an elm of uncertain years can maintain. Through the spacious archway is the family dining room, which holds a beautifully executed rounded bay window with the same river view as the study. Further on is a pantry that would delight any feminine heart. It has spacious cupboards, open dish shelves and a complete built in kitchen cabinet unit with hinged moulding board, small and large drawers, bins for sugar and flour and what have you, all conceived by the same mind that planned the mighty order of the Grange; a kitchen full seventy-five years ahead of its time and a Gibraltar Order for posterity. There is a door leading from the pantry

into the kitchen. The kitchen is large and airy, but without the benefit of running water or even a pump in the sink. A door opens into a large woodshed and another door leads into a room that was used for the storage of grains and seeds and where the farm accounts were kept. The front and back halls are connected and steep back stairs lead upwards from the back door.

On the second floor the ceilings are about 12 feet high. A large bedroom containing a chimney outlet (as does each other upper room) is known as the Caroline Hall bedroom. Across the hall is an upstairs study directly over the downstairs one. The Father Kelley bedroom is connected to this study, with an excellent view of the river to the south and east. There are three other bedrooms all light, airy and comfortable. Each room here has a huge, spacious closet with ample room for storage, quite unlike eastern homes of the same period. This perhaps could be credited to the fact that since the roof is flat, there is no attic space which we usually find in early New England homes.

The grounds are well laid out. The barn is west of the homestead sufficiently far away so neither odors or flies prove a problem. About halfway between the house and barn are located the well house where water was carried to the house and where the foods were lowered for cooling and keeping in hot weather, and where the milk was stored in vats of water. The milkhouse and wellhouse have been torn down but I saw them upon my first visit to the homestead.

The little house usual to country life of that period in lieu of indoor plumbing, was a convenient distance beyond the woodshed and modestly hidden from general view.

The State Highway Department of the State of Minnesota considered this Kelley Homestead of enough significance to their State history to erect a granite marker and landscaped a park about it at the entrance of the Kelley driveway, on US 10, at the cost to them of several thousands of dollars. The marker contains the following inscription:

"GRANGE SHRINE OLIVER HUDSON KELLEY, The National Grange of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry was founded in Washington, D.C. on December 4, 1867. This date marks the birth of organized agriculture on American soil. Oliver Hudson Kelley first advanced the idea of a Farm Fraternity as first Secretary and one of the Founders of the National Grange. He maintained official headquarters here until 1870. This Farm has been purchased by contributions throughout the Nation and is preserved in Honor of Our Founders."

The farm produces grain and corn. A small herd of cows are upon the place and fluid milk is sold.

Due to thoughtlessness and indifference a well planned restoral of the property for a National Grange Shrine has been partially destroyed. The original Kelley Garden, outlined with lilacs and filled with many of the older types of garden flowers, was uprooted to serve the site of a caretakers home. We regret that the first frame barn in Minnesota has been altered instead of being restored. The well house has been torn down instead of preserved. These changes have all permanently hurt the restoral value of the property but there are still many possibilities left. The house fortunately has not been touched other than the ever groping fingers of time and neglect aided by hoodlum vandals.

With the new caretaker located comfortably in a modern home, the tremendous task of restoration can go on. The work is slowly but surely progressing. Many beautiful things of the Kelley period have been contributed by a canvas of the New England States and Minnesota and others. Maine has contributed household linens; New Hampshire, scatter rugs; Vermont, glassware; Massachusetts, money for dishes; Rhode Island, bedroom crockery, and Connecticut, books, pictures, bric-a-brac, etc. Much has generously been given and much more is needed.

This place passed out of the Kelley family. For a number of years it was tenant farmed by resident farmers adjacent to this place. When it was learned



that the place was about to again be sold, the National Grange through one of its members picked it up in 1935, the following appearing in the National Grange Journal of Proceedings under the Executive Committee Report: "Voted: That E. A. Eckert, Secretary of the Executive Committee, be authorized to take option and/or purchase the old Oliver Hudson Kelley farm near Elk River, Minnesota." And further: "Minneapolis, September 11, 1935. In the afternoon the Committee journeyed to the Kelley Farm, where we were met by the Executive Committee of the Minnesota State Grange and together inspected the buildings on the farm. During the evening, the Committee attended a public meeting at Elk River, which was sponsored by the Minnesota State Grange as a celebration in honor of the purchase of the Kelley Farm. National Master L. J. Taber, State Master Fred K. Wilson, members of the Executive Committee of the National Grange (Ray W. Gill, Fred J. Freestone) Dean Coffey of the Minnesota University of Agriculture, a representative of the State Department of Agriculture, and the secretary of the State Historical Society participated in the program," and under the Report of the Good of the Order Committee, "We know that our Order has prospered because of the ideal set forth by the Founders, therefore we heartily approve of that section of the National Master's address referring to the Kelley Memorial. We recommend the National Master and the Executive Committee for their action in the purchase of the Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm and trust in due time, that it will become a Memorial, truly fitting to the memory of the one who devoted his life's work in the interest of the Order. We recommend that this committee continue their efforts and that pressure be brought to bear on the State Masters to see that their Granges contribute liberally. Also that the State Masters be kept informed of any tentative program of the development of the Kelley Homestead, that the National Executive Committee may decide upon." And in National Master L. J. Taber's Annual Report: "The purchase of the old Oliver Hudson Kelley Farm is of more than passing interest. Republics and organizations are usually

careless in remembering their founders and builders. The home where Oliver Hudson Kelley and his heroic family opened the first National Grange Secretary's Office, should become a Shrine for organized Agriculture. Every Grange—Juvenile, Subordinate, Pomona, State and National—should make some contribution to perpetuate this property as a fitting memorial to those who sacrificed in the early years for the welfare of rural progress." And in the Home Economics Report: "This committee is deeply interested in the Oliver H. Kelley Memorial at Elk River, Minnesota. Our interest includes our willingness to heartily cooperate in raising funds necessary to finance the purchase and to restore and recondition the dwelling and grounds. Naturally, however, our keenest interest is in the reconstruction and redecorating of the dwelling and in landscaping the grounds.

We recommend and urge that every Home Economics Committee in every Grange throughout our 35 Grange States sponsor a special function to secure funds for this memorial. We further recommend that these Kelley memorial projects be launched and the funds be forwarded to E. A. Eckert."

So this is where Connecticut enters the picture. State Master Frank Peet, who was master of the State Grange at that time, returned home from this National Grange Session determined that Connecticut should do her share in the restoration of this memorial. He and the Home Economics Committee through their advertising the need succeeded in having a goodly sum sent to this project from the Nutmeg State. As these contributions were paid directly to the Fund, there is no written record either in the National Journals or the State Journals as to the exact amount collected here. We know that it was several hundreds of dollars.

In October 1948, while attending an Insurance Convention in St. Paul, Minnesota, State Master Harry L. Page, Brother Ira Wilcox and Sister Wilcox, Brother Sherman Ives and Sister Ives, went up to the Kelley Farm in Elk River. One can hardly imagine our dismay in finding a place, empty, unkempt and par-

tially destroyed by the work of vandals. When we came to the entrance we were stopped from going to the place in our car as the gate was padlocked. Not being daunted we climbed through the fence and walked the some quarter mile to the Homestead. As we neared the place we realized for the first time that there was no caretaker upon it (something none of us knew before). The place was locked but Brother Ives boosted Brother Page up to one of the higher windows which seemed to be loose and he gained entrance coming round to the door, threw the bolt and welcomed us in a querulous voice posing as Father Kelley, and we entered in gales of laughter, which were soon silenced into seriousness upon viewing the deplorable conditions we found. To make a long story short, Brother Wilcox took moving pictures of the real state of affairs and we returned to St. Paul with blood in our eyes, with the determination that we would either rid ourselves of such an eyesore or see to it that restoration would begin at once. Brother Goss, National Master and Brother Pearson, Master of Minnesota State Grange were attending this same convention and they sure received the full blast of our wrath. Since then I personally have been to the place fourteen times and am pleased to state that our dissatisfaction brought the true condition of the place to the attention of the National Grange in such a manner that a restoration committee was named as follows: Brother Eugene Eckert, of Illinois; Sister Edna Taber, wife of Past National Master Taber, of Ohio; Sister Hildur Archer, Lecturer of the Minnesota State Grange from Minneapolis, Minnesota; Brother Goodwin Robbins, a member of the local Grange in Elk River, Minnesota; Sister Estelle Thompson, Secretary of the Minnesota State Grange from Lansing, Minnesota (was appointed later) and myself (Sister Lida S. Ives of Thomaston, Connecticut.) The first year the work progressed so slowly that the following resolution was passed by the Connecticut State Grange and sent to the National Grange for action:

"Whereas: The Father Kelley Homestead and Farm at Elk River, Minnesota, owned by the National Grange,

requires constant supervision and involves numerous details of planning and management to make it a Shrine of which our Order may be proud. Be It Resolved: That Article XXIV of Chapter V of the By-Laws of the National Grange be entitled "Father Kelley Homestead and Farm" and read as follows: Section 1. All affairs of the Father Kelley Homestead and Farm shall be supervised and managed by a Foundation as hereinafter provided to be known as the Father Kelley Foundation and hereinafter referred to as "The Foundation." Section 2. The affairs of the Foundation shall be directed by a Board of Directors composed of five members of the Grange. Section 3. The Master of the National Grange shall be an Ex-officio member of the board of directors of the Foundation. The other members of the Board shall originally be designated by the Delegates of the National Grange and thereafter vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the other members; provided that not more than two members of the Board shall be residents of the same State. Section 4. The Original Board of Directors, and all others who may hereafter become Members of the Board of Directors of the Foundation in the manner herein provided, and their successors and assigns, shall be incorporated and made a body politic by the name of the Father Kelley Foundation, Incorporated, and which corporation shall be located and have its principal office in Washington, D. C., or in such other place as may hereafter be determined by the corporation, and which corporation shall enjoy all of the rights and privileges conferred upon corporations without capital stock under the provisions of the general statutes. By said name, said corporation may sue and be sued, plead and implead, appear, prosecute and defend in any court; may have and use a common seal, may purchase and hold such real and personal estate as may be convenient for the prosecution of its business; may sell and convey any property, real, personal or mixed; may make, establish, and put into execution such by-laws, ordinances and regulations not contrary to the provisions of this Charter and By-Laws as may be necessary or convenient for the regulation and government and the man-



agement of the affairs of the Foundation; and may do and execute all such acts and things as may be necessary to carry to full effect the purposes intended by these By-Laws." Be It Further Resolved: That Article XXIV as now written shall become Article XXV of these By-Laws.

This Resolution was not passed at the National Grange largely due to the feeling that the National Grange would loose control through its Executive Committee of this Shrine, even if they had shown no active interest in its welfare for some years. However, it did some good as it stimulated the National Master and Executive Committee to take some action before further drastic action was taken by the Delegate body. The Caretaker's house was hastily ordered built without much thought of placement which resulted in the permanent damage of the preservation of the original garden. The Patrons stimulating this renewed interest had no intention of making a paying farm out of this Kelley Farm, but the National Master and Executive Committee went ahead and laid plans of having an active Farm started upon it. This has proved an expensive and troublesome thorn in their sides. We feel that eventually that something will be worked out so that both a Shrine and Farm will result. At the present writing it looks as though the Shrine would be completed before the Farm ceases to be a source of constant trouble. The caretaker's home was a necessity, somewhere on the property in order that such antiques and records placed in the Homestead would not fall into the hands of vandals.

### A TRIBUTE TO AGRICULTURE

On October 4, 1934, Brother Albert P. Marsh, a member of Burritt Grange No. 39 in New Britain, came before the State Grange Executive Committee and submitted a proposal to the Connecticut State Grange whereby he would furnish a stone from every State in the Union to be built into a suitable memorial or monument, the time, place and details to be later considered.

In the Journals of Proceedings of the State Grange under the 51st Annual Session held in January 1936 at Hartford, Connecticut, we find under the Annual Master Peets Address the following: "The Grange and the State College at Storrs, both stand for improvement in Agriculture and because of their close cooperation in the past, plans have been negotiated this past year, whereby if it is found possible, a memorial will be erected at Storrs by the Connecticut State Grange.

The memorial will be built of stone collected from the 169 towns in the State and inside will be displayed a stone from each of the forty-eight States of the Union. I hope that this may be completed before our next Annual Church Sunday at Storrs."

In the 1938 Journal of Proceedings of the State Grange held in January at Hartford, Connecticut, we find under State Master Peets Annual Address the following statement: "The 'Tribute to Agriculture' erected at Storrs this last year and presented to the Connecticut State College by the Connecticut State Grange, was dedicated by National Master Louis J. Taber to our youth and to higher education. Many complimentary remarks have been expressed."

In this same Journal under the Annual report of Worthy State Lecturer Sister Sarah Curtis we find further note as follows: "The Ninth Annual Grange Sunday at Storrs on May 16, 1937 was a memorable occasion. The attendance indicated the ever-growing popularity of the event. Dr. William Lyon Phelps of Yale, guest speaker at the morning service, was enjoyed by those present. The usual musical program during the afternoon was preceded by the dedication of the "Grange Tribute to Agriculture" and addresses by National Master Louis J. Taber and Dr. A. N. Jorgensen, President of the College."

We find that the Treasurer drew a check for \$750 in payment of this Memorial, a small tribute indeed to the rugged faith of those who till the soil. It is situated in a small grouping of trees near a ledge to the left of the Community House on the grounds of the University of Connecticut at Storrs, Connecticut.



## THE NATIONAL GRANGE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

In the Journal of Proceedings of the National Grange covering its 70th Annual Session in November 1936 at Columbus, Ohio, we find under the Annual Address of National Master Taber the following: "The development of the National Grange Fire Insurance Company to act solely as an underwriting agency and not to write fire insurance directly, is also rendering service." Under the Report of Committee on Insurance in the same Journal we find this statement: "The National Grange Fire Insurance Company was started on May 6, 1956 with a large surplus. This Company does not write business, on property or contents direct for members, only on a re-insurance basis with authorized Grange Companies after they have completed negotiations with the Company."

State Master Frank H. Peet was elected a Director of the Board in this Company and at the time of this writing has served continually upon it.

The policy of this Company has changed somewhat since its inception. It now is a direct writing Company in some States and not purely a re-insurance outlet as when started.

The home Office of this Insurance Company is in Keene, New Hampshire.

## THE NEW ENGLAND GRANGE BUILDING

For many years New England has been known as the Gibraltar of the Grange. For sometime, it was felt by New England Grange Leaders that it would be only fitting and proper to have some building centrally located in New England to be used as a meeting place for members and New England Grange activities, which they felt was their own.

Through the efforts of the then High Priest, of Demeter, Charles M. Gardner, and other New England leaders, this thought became a reality in the form of the so-called Hostess House or New England Grange Building, located on the grounds of the Eastern State Exposition

in West Springfield, Massachusetts. This is an attractive Colonial type of Building just across from the Avenue of States and nestles comfortably in the vicinity of the famous restored Storrowtown Village which stands as a monument to all New England Villages for posterity. This project was only accomplished by years of long and careful planning and was erected under the joint ownership of the six New England States. It was dedicated on that fearful hurricane date of fame, September 21, 1938.

It is truly a Grange Hall, with a spacious basement where meals would be served in any real Grange Hall, but is here used for Grange Exhibits during the Exposition. On the Ground Floor, one enters a spacious auditorium which is reported to seat about 400, with the usual stage. A beautiful fireplace graces one side of this room which is more often used as a living (reception) room for the building. The Second Floor is encircled on three sides by a balcony, two sides of which are lined with the individual New England State Rooms. The Connecticut Room is located to the left as you mount the easy stairs leading to this balcony. It is a beautiful room, panelled with natural woods and octagon in shape. On the floor rests a green rug with the typical sheaf of wheat upon it. Natural Maple Windsor chairs, settee, and two small tables comprise the furniture in it. Two spacious cupboards or full length closets fill in two of the corners, while another holds a door which opens out upon the balcony over the front entrance.

The Connecticut State Grange provides a host and hostess each day of the Exposition to greet members from our State, and others, and to be helpful in whatever way possible to our members while attending the Exposition.

During the 1938 Annual Session of our State Grange, it was voted to authorize the State Master to proceed with a plan to raise funds for this Building. All of the Pomonas, 132 Subordinate Granges, 10 Juvenile Granges and 40 individuals contributed towards this project.

At the 1941 Annual State Session our State Grange voted to pay one cent a member per year towards the support of this Building. This still is the procedure today.

During 1940 the New London County Pomona Grange through the Home Economics Department, presented the New England Grange Building a silk flag of the State of Connecticut to rest beside the other State Flags upon the Stage.

Under the Chairmanship of Sister Lucie Adams of the Connecticut State Grange Home Economics Committee the following was accomplished for this Building: "During 1941 the Pomona project of this Committee was to furnish the living room of this Building. With the assistance of Mrs. Charles M. Gardner, we were able to secure some beautiful and appropriate pieces of furniture and at about one-half the price it would otherwise have cost. The furniture cost the Grange \$339.60, but the actual value was about \$600. The different pieces of furniture were given as follows: Central Pomona No. 1 gave the large tavern table; Quinebaug No. 2 one of the large wing chairs; East Central No. 3, a table; Bolton Grange, a mirror for the Ladies' Room; Mountain County No. 4 gave towards the sofa; New London No. 6 gave the flag mentioned above and a floor lamp; Mystic Grange gave a floor lamp and Groton Grange a mahogany showcase; Excelsior Pomona No. 7 gave a Duncan-Phyfe table to hold the Bible to be placed on the Stage; Sea View Pomona No. 8 gave towards another wing chair; Fairfield County Pomona No. 9 gave a ladder back chair; Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10 gave the rest towards a wing chair, and Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11 gave a Windsor Chair. So Connecticut silently spreads the feeling of Hospitality by these deeds and offers its share of a friendly welcome to all who may enter this Building dedicated to Grange Purposes.

Edgar Tucker, Master at the time of the Corner Stone Laying, assisted in that ceremony. He was also the First Treasurer and retained that position up to the time of his death. He and Minor Ives, another Past Master of the Con-

necticut State Grange, were elected Trustees of this Building representing Connecticut. Brother Sherman Ives was elected Trustee to fill Brother Tucker's place at his untimely death. Brother Sherman Ives also was elected Treasurer at that time, and resigned in favor of Harry L. Page when he became Master of the State Grange, believing that each Master should be an active Trustee during their period of office. When Brother Sherman Ives resigned, Brother Minor Ives was elected Treasurer to fill his place, so that a Connecticut Trustee has been Treasurer ever since the formation of the organization.

During World War II the Army occupied this Building as an Army Hospital.

## GRANGE HALL

The College at Storrs and the Grange have worked hand in hand; each needing and often seeking each others advice and counsel. One of the material evidences of this close knit relationship is the magnificent building now gracing the Campus and known as "Grange Hall." As Brother Sherman Ives promoted the thought and directed the action which resulted in its having such a position, I have asked that he relate it in his own words.

"In 1940, Lucie M. Adams, then Chairman of the Connecticut State Grange Home Economics Committee and since deceased, told me as State Master she would like to have the Grange do something to help Grange college students other than making them a loan which they had to pay back when they were trying to make a start in Life. She felt that a Grange Scholarship might well be attempted, and I agreed with her. The project was immediately launched, and it was announced that one boy and girl attending the University of Connecticut that were Grange members would be awarded such a Scholarship, and that the selection of the winners would be made by the President of the College, the Master of the State Grange, and the Master of the Pomona Grange that subscribed the most money to the fund in proportion to the membership of the Pomona. Every Pomona Grange raised money for this endeavor,



and the total was \$251. On March 6, 1941, President Albert N. Jorgensen of the University of Connecticut, Sherman K. Ives, Master of the Connecticut State Grange, and Leonard O. Bragg, Master of East Central Pomona Grange, met in President Jorgensen's office at Storrs, Connecticut, to select the Grange Boy and Girl to receive these Grange Scholarships at the University. The Boy and Girl selected were Richard Hamilton of Ellington and Inez Abel of Yantic, then Lady Assistant Steward of Mansfield Grange. After receiving his Scholarship, Richard Hamilton wrote the State Master "I would like to express my deepest appreciation and thanks, through you, to all of the Subordinate Granges and the Brothers and Sisters for making this Scholarship possible, and to encourage them to continue this new project so that other students in the future may benefit as I shall." "Grange Hall" has and is certainly fulfilling the hopes of Brother Hamilton.

At the time these Scholarship selections were made, the housing shortage at the College was giving President Jorgensen considerable concern. During the conversation, he asked how many Grange members there were in Connecticut. On learning that there were more than 20,000, he said if Grange Members would donate only one dollar each, he felt the College would match the amount and a Cooperative House for Grange Students at the College could be erected for twenty to forty students, and help relieve the housing shortage there, and each student occupying the House would save \$100 to \$200 each year on his college expense. President Jorgensen said this is probably just 'a wild idea.' I told him I liked the idea and did not think it very wild, and on December 15, 1941, President Jorgensen wrote me as follows:

"To assist you in your plans, I am summarizing the points which we discussed and agreed upon. The plan I have in mind calls for the construction of two cooperative houses by the Connecticut State Grange—one house for 30 boys and one for 30 girls, the Grange to develop if possible a campaign for \$20,000 or possibly \$1 per Grange member

for the construction of these two houses, the University to provide any additional funds that may be needed to construct and equip these two cooperative houses. The funds for these houses are to be given to the University. The houses are to be constructed by the University on college-owned land which will permit connecting the University water and sewer systems. These houses would then be tax-free and would be protected by a general insurance plan for all college property. Fire protection, police protection, and University supervision would also be available. Grange students would have the first chance in applying for occupancy of these houses. Sons and daughters of Grange members who are not themselves Grange members would have the second chance to occupy these houses. The occupants of these houses would not pay rent. Because of this fact, and the fact that they would be assisting in the operation of the houses and would run their own table, the savings to each student would not be less than \$100 per year and might be as much as \$200 per year. In effect, this means that 60 men and women each year would be benefitting through the efforts of the Grange from **Scholarships** ranging from \$100 to \$200 a year. This plan would require no follow-up in the way of Grange assistance in financing this plan."

I presented this letter to the State Grange Delegates at the Annual Session in January 1942 with the recommendation that the plan be approved and that the Grange attempt to raise \$1 per member by agreeing to raise not less than ten cents per member per year over a period of ten years, with permission to Granges to raise it as much faster as they wished. This whole matter was then referred to the Committee on Education. The Committee on Education drew a lengthy resolution endorsing the plan in principle and adding several stipulations, one of which was 'That before any of the money raised is turned over to the University, that a written agreements between the College and this State Grange shall have been effected protecting the interests of the Grange.' Instead of accepting this Resolution however, the Delegates voted 'that the



matter be placed in the hands of the Executive Committee and a study made and a definite report made at the next Annual Session. At the next Annual Session in January 1943, I was able to report that a tentative contract had been approved both by the Trustees of the University and the State Grange Executive Committee, and again the matter was referred to the Committee on Education. This Committee approved the contract and made it a part of their report which was approved by the Delegates who authorized the Executive Committee to proceed at once in carrying out the intent of the Resolution. There were seven stipulations to the Contract as approved which I will give here in tentative form as follows:

1. The Connecticut State Grange to raise a sum of not less than \$20,000.
2. On receipt of this money, the University of Connecticut to proceed with the construction of a Grange Cooperative House.
3. The House to be occupied by first: Members of Granges in good standing and second, sons or daughters of Grange members.
4. The Grange not to be responsible for any expense for operation or maintenance of the House.
5. The University of Connecticut to supply all funds necessary above the minimum of \$20,000 secured by the Grange for the construction and the equipment of said House.
6. The University to report annually to the Executive Committee of the State Grange on the operation of the House.
7. That if \$20,000 was not raised by the Grange within ten years the contract was cancelled and all money was to be returned to the original source or sources.

On February 8, 1943, the Executive Committee adopted the plan I had suggested for raising the \$20,000. A letter was sent to each Subordinate Grange stating that a quota had been set up

of \$1 per member as of January 1, 1943 and suggesting that each Grange appoint a committee to canvass their members, and also stating that it was hoped that each Grange would donate not less than ten cents per member per year. I sent the State Treasurer a personal check for \$7.00 representing \$1 for each member of my family. The response from the Granges was very gratifying as Quinnebaug Pomona voted that month to give \$100, and Mansfield Grange indicated its intention to also donate \$100—and thus exceed its ten year quota by 50% in the first month of the first year of the project.

Up to this point no attorney had been consulted about the contract either by the University or the State Grange. It was felt that the contract should be checked for any possible legal flaws before either party signed it. On August 18, 1943, the Executive Committee empowered me to secure legal advice regarding the contract, and on August 21, 1943 I submitted the matter to Attorney William H. Blodgett of Winsted for examination and opinion. He replied on September 21, 1943 that it appeared all right from the standpoint of the Grange, but suggested that since the State of Connecticut was a party to it, that it be submitted to the Attorney General for approval. The contract together with all pertinent information was submitted to the Attorney General, Francis A. Pallotti, by President Jorgensen on September 24, 1943. I never did learn exactly what the Attorney General said about it, but whatever it was, it was not favorable, and in effect indicated that a House or Dormitory could not be built on State owned property that would give preference in occupancy to some particular group like members of the Grange. By this time nearly \$2,000 had already been subscribed by the Granges, and our consternation and dismay at this turn of events can well be imagined. In desperation we decided to lay the whole matter before Governor Raymond E. Baldwin which we did. Governor Baldwin after examination of the subject, issued an authorization for the University's acceptance of the money, and on January 10, 1944 the State Grange Executive Committee empowered me to sign

the contract on behalf of the State Grange. President Jorgensen and I immediately signed the contract for the Trustees of the University had previously authorized him to sign for them. This contract, together with Governor Baldwin's authorization, and the University Trustees authorization was later placed with the State Grange Treasurer, Charles H. Curtis, for safe keeping, and he received all funds. As things turned out later, Grange members were never given any preference in occupying "Grange Hall" so that all our fears were needless, but they did not seem that way at the time. It was Mark Twain, I believe who said 'most of the things I worry about, never happen.'

State Master Harry L. Page now continued to promote this project, and on July 19, 1947 State Treasurer Curtis, in the presence of the Executive Committee turned over to President Jorgensen in his office at Storrs a check for \$20,000 which was less than four and one-half years after the first donation to the fund was made. At this time the Pomona and Subordinate Granges and individuals had donated nearly \$17,000 and the balance was advanced from State Grange general funds, and has since been replaced from the donations that continued to come in. The Grange had now completed its part of the contract and waited for construction of the house to start, but other troubles were not long in appearing. Building materials were difficult to obtain and the ogre of inflation had started to rear its ugly head. It now appeared the House we had envisaged could not be built for the \$40,000 to \$50,000 that had been estimated, nor could it be built for twice these figures. The Executive Committee authorized me to continue to negotiate with President Jorgensen to see what could be done during all of 1948 and most of 1949. At one point in these negotiations, the University suggested that one of the new dormitories then being built be named for the Grange, and the account be called square. The Executive Committee of the State Grange did not care for this suggestion and said so, and in fact informed the University that rather than agree to any such suggestion they would rather return all the

\$20,000 to the donors and notify them the University had failed to live up to its part of the contract. After considerable discussion President Jorgensen suggested that a new men's dormitory being built at a cost of \$200,000 be named for the Grange, and that the \$20,000 the Grange had donated plus matching funds of like amount pledged by the University be applied on this Dormitory, and the money thus saved on the expense of building this Dormitory in effect would be set up to furnish Scholarships for 24 Grange Boys and Girls who were students at the University, regardless of where they were housed. This would provide 12 boys and 12 girls with Scholarships or awards as they were called of \$70 each and it was promised that when the bonds on this dormitory are paid off, that these awards could be increased to \$100 each. This agreement appeared to carry out the spirit if not the letter of the contract and the State Grange Executive Committee approved it. I rendered a special report to the Delegates to Annual State Grange Session in October 1949 explaining the above agreement and it was approved and the first Grange Aid Awards as they were finally called, were made. The construction of the Dormitory that was later named "Grange Hall" was started in 1949. A rather amusing occurrence developed in selection of the name. President Jorgensen asked the State Grange Executive Committee to suggest a name and they selected "Grange Hall," but President Jorgensen thought this might cause confusion with Grange Meeting Halls, and he suggested that it be called Grange Memorial Dormitory. The Executive Committee said if the word Memorial was left out of it, they would approve his suggestion, so it was agreed that it would be named "Grange Dormitory." Some time in 1950 as the building neared completion I received a telephone call from President Jorgensen. He said he could not understand how it happened, but the name "Grange Hall" had been carved into the cement as the name of the building and that it would be quite expensive to change it now, and he hoped the State Grange Executive Committee would not be offended if they left the name "Grange Hall" as it was now on



the building. I was quite happy to assure him that I could see no reason why the State Grange Executive Committee should object to "Grange Hall" as the name when that had been their choice in the first place. On May 20, 1951, it was my pleasure to be present at, and take part in the Dedication of "Grange Hall" as part of the ceremonies of the Annual Grange Sunday at the University.

My tale is now told, but as far as I know, the Grange Memorial Aid Awards will continue in perpetuity as Brother Richard Hamilton hoped they would and the name of "Grange Hall" will stand as a reminder of Grange interest in promoting education at the University of Connecticut as long as brick and mortar endures.

Signed

Sherman K. Ives, Past Master  
of the Connecticut State Grange

## THE CONNECTICUT GRANGER

During 1943, the support of the War effort which our Connecticut Granges rendered has been varied and substantial. One outstanding achievement in World War II was the selling of \$487,000 worth of War Bonds during the Third War Loan Drive in recognition of which the War Department has named a Flying Fortress, "Connecticut Granger."

## THE NATIONAL

### GRANGE HEADQUARTERS

As early as 1894 we find places in our records where various times money was raised and set aside for the future of a National Headquarters in Washington, D.C. In those early days the notations call the Building in mind either a Temple to Ceres or a Temple to Agriculture.

This dream became a reality when National Master Goss found just the place they had been looking for for a number of years. Brother Goss wanted a place near the White House and other Government Buildings so that Farm Organizations could have a cen-

tral place to meet and discuss the common problems between them. He also visualized a place to store many of the old and valuable documents, bric-a-brac, mementos, records depicting the early history of the Grange, one such thing being a beautiful silver tea service that had been presented to Father Kelley, his gold headed cane and other things of equal importance, which could be put advantageously upon display. He wanted ample office space so the administration of the Masters Office could be more easily handled. He desired a reference library and proper place to house it. Being of a practical nature, he hoped that there would be rental space in order to help make it self sustaining, and many other things of a necessary and practical nature. This package of wants were all tied up in one bundle at 744 Jackson Place NW, facing the park (Lafayette Square), the self same park that faces the White House, in easy access to many Government Buildings, Hotels, Eating places and within the price that the National Grange could expect sometime free themselves from debt upon.

This building is eight stories in height, is of a fireproof construction. Since its acquisition a modern air conditioning plant has been installed.

Connecticut has helped to furnish the money to pay for this building not only through the usual channel of dues, but by donations direct to the fund and through Home Economic Committees.

In Brother Gardner's Book, The Grange, Friend of the Farmer, we find the following interesting account: "The first definite move towards a Grange Building at the National Capital came in 1883, when a Temple Fund was started in a small way, and Granges throughout the country were appealed to for contributions, following the belief that in a few years time sufficient funds could be accumulated to purchase or erect a "Temple to Ceres" at Washington.

The response was disappointing and the Temple Fund never reached a thousand dollars, although for nearly half a century it was carried as a separate account on the books of the treasurer of the National Grange.



At the Boston session of 1920 a resolution was adopted to form a nucleus for a Grange home at the National Capital, and the treasurer of the National Grange was directed "to deposit with some savings or trust company the sum of \$5,000 annually, to be known as the 'Washington Building Fund', and no part of said Washington Building Fund shall be used for any other purpose than to assist in the building of a permanent home for the Grange in Washington."

The session also voted that "any and all sums which may have been contributed for the purpose of building permanent headquarters for the Grange in Washington shall be added to and become a part of said Washington Building Fund." The entire matter was then referred to the executive committee with power to act.

In consequence of this resolution the amount in the Temple Fund was voted into the Building Fund in 1921, hence playing a part in the final building purchase of 1943.

Likewise carrying out the same resolution, \$5,000 was annually transferred from the general funds of the National Grange to the Building Fund. Thus the latter continued to grow, and although some years such transfer was exceedingly difficult, the National Grange adhered steadfastly to its purpose. . . . When the actual purchase was made in 1943, following the session vote of 1942, the Grange Building Fund totaled \$130,469.03, and a transfer was made from the general funds of \$36,236.38 as a loan. This left \$125,000 needed to complete the purchase price of \$291,705.41, and the National Grange Mutual Liability Company of Keene, New Hampshire, came forward with a loan of that amount, taking a mortgage on the building." The debt is slowly being paid off.

The sacrifices, the devotion, the worry, of those responsible for such an undertaking can never be fully realized by many of us. This heavy financial load aged Brother Taber and perhaps was more or less responsible for the untimely death of Brother Goss. We Patrons throughout the Land can never fully repay them for what they gave. Our pride

in this possession, our cheerful financial support, and our loyalty to our organization are perhaps the best material evidence in repaying this debt of gratitude.

### THE GRANGE BLUE CROSS

In his Master's Address in January 1944, Sherman K. Ives said "I hope that some plan of Group Hospitalization may soon be effected in Connecticut, as it is already working in some other States." Later in that State Grange Session, the following resolution was adopted, "Resolved, That the Connecticut State Grange authorize the Executive Committee to investigate, with power to act, upon some form of Group Hospitalization Plan of Insurance for Members of the Grange." On January 13, 1944, after the State Grange Session had adjourned, the Executive Committee voted "That Brother Ives be authorized to investigate a Hospitalization Plan as recommended in Resolution No. 3. The National Master, Albert S. Goss was present at this Session and asked Brother Ives to also act as Chairman of an Interim Committee of the National Grange to investigate this matter of Group Hospitalization and Medical Service and report to the next Annual Session of the National Grange with recommendations. This authorization by the National Grange proved very helpful to Brother Ives who wrote to all State Masters and Secretaries and secured the details of all group hospital and medical plans in operation or being contemplated by the various State Granges. These plans included Blue Cross Plans, Grange Insurance Company Plans, and Commercial Insurance Company Plans.

During this investigational work, Brother Ives became convinced that Blue Cross (which at one time was called the White Cross in some parts of Connecticut) offered the best and most economical plan of group hospitalization in Connecticut and that it would work out satisfactorily for Subordinate Granges and their members. He then went to the Blue Cross office in New Haven and found that organization was not at all friendly to the idea of enrolling members on the basis of Grange membership.

They had tried unsuccessfully in many cases to enroll various "association" groups and were not anxious to take on the Grange. After vigorous assertions by Brother Ives that the Grange was different from most Associations, the Blue Cross Officials rather reluctantly agreed to take on the Grange on a trial basis. They assigned Miss Helen Cullinan of their organization to promote this endeavor, and on August 14, 1944, the State Grange Executive Committee voted "That we approve the Blue Cross Hospitalization Plan for Granges, and that Brother Sherman Ives be authorized to proceed with such action as is necessary to make it effective." Brother Ives then arranged to have Miss Cullinan speak at a meeting of each of Connecticut's eleven Pomonas, and as she was not then a member of the Grange, he also attended these meetings, to answer questions pertaining particularly to Grange procedure. After each Pomona meeting, the Subordinate Granges were supposed to take the matter up in their respective Granges. After three or four Pomona meetings, Brother Emerson Leonard reported to the Executive Committee that the subject was bogging down, not from lack of interest, but due to a lack of understanding and some confusion in the rules and regulations as applied to Granges. At the suggestion of Brother Ives, State Master Harry L. Gage then called a meeting of all Pomona Masters and Deputies together with the Blue Cross officials to discuss improvements in the program. This was done, and the meeting was held at Hartford, Conn. on October 21, 1944. The Blue Cross officials seemed rather surprised at this meeting to find the Grange members, in many cases rather critical of the plan, and a very lively discussion ensued. The Blue Cross made some changes in the rules for enrollment and a much better understanding by the Grange Leaders in each Pomona district was acquired. The following quote from the report of Brother Ives to the 1945 Session of the Connecticut State Grange tells the story of what then followed: "From this point on, very satisfactory progress has been made. Granby Grange No. 5 was the first Grange to qualify its members for benefits, which became effective January 1, 1945. Danbury

Grange No. 156 was second, and my own Grange, Morris No. 119, was third. (Brother Ives was Moderator that year of the November election in Morris and enrolled the Grange members in Blue Cross as they came in to vote in the hopes that Morris Grange would be first to qualify but Mabel Hayes of Granby and Gene Brundage of Danbury apparently figured out some way that was even faster in getting their members enrolled.)

As this report is being prepared, January 5, 1945, six Granges have qualified their members, forty-two Granges are now actively endeavoring to enroll their members, and seventy-six Granges have the subject under consideration.

I attended four meetings with the Blue Cross officials in New Haven and one in Hartford, besides the eleven Pomona meetings previously mentioned. The State Grange, through the Executive Committee, paid for all mileage, postage, and telephone calls that I billed them for and offered to pay a per diem, which I declined. Truly, I believe, in this project we have, and are carrying out one of the first specific objects of our Order which is . . . 'acting together for our mutual protection, and advancement, as occasion may require.'

In the January 1948 Session he reported "Over 3,000 Grange families in all parts of Connecticut are now enrolled through the Grange, and since families average three or more, it is conservatively estimated that the Grange in this past year alone has brought this benefit to more than 10,000 rural people of the State. This is, I believe a very worthy achievement and so far exceeds the progress of any plan hitherto tried by other organizations in our rural areas as to make comparison impossible."

On May 10, 1948, the Executive Committee named Brother Sherman Ives and Brother Ira F. Wilcox (then State Overseer) to act as a committee to carry out a program of reopening of the Blue Cross for new members. Brother Wilcox did the work of carrying out these instructions and reported July 24, 1948, that 2,830 individuals had been added making a total of approximately 13,000 Grange members in the Blue Cross



groups. At the suggestion of Brother Ives, it was voted to pay Brother Wilcox \$100.—for his services in expanding Blue Cross coverage and since that time, he has very ably acted as liason officer between the State Grange and the Blue Cross organization.

In June 1950 Connecticut Medical Service was added to the Blue Cross Hospitalization for those members who desired it. In October, 1951 State Master Ira Wilcox said in his Annual Address "This year Blue Cross membership was again offered to Grange members and Surgical Benefits or Connecticut Medical Service was offered on a state-wide basis for the second time. The fact that the Grange group is one of the largest Blue Cross groups in the state indicates how acceptable these plans were to the members. More than 50% of the Grange members in Connecticut have Blue Cross membership through their Grange group. CMS although still in its infancy long ago passed the creeping stage."

State Master Wilcox now reports that well over 17,000 members of Grange families have Grange Blue Cross. What this Hospitalization service was meant to some individual members was pretty well summed up by the wife of a member of Morris Grange (she was not a member of the Grange) after her husband, then about thirty-eight years old, had a sudden attack of virus pneumonia. For several days he was not expected to live, and several injections were required daily of a special drug costing \$20.—per injection all of which was paid for by Grange Blue Cross. His wife said "I never knew what insurance meant before. All I could think of as he hovered between Life and Death, was that if it had not been for Grange Blue Cross, whether he lived or died, neither he nor I, would ever have lived long enough to pay off the bills that were being contracted."

Through Grange Blue Cross, farmers and other similar rural groups were enabled for the first time to secure Group Hospital and Medical benefits in Connecticut and at the same time the Grange was materially aided in holding and stabilizing its membership, as these same

benefits cost substantially more when purchased on an individual basis. This is another example of where the Connecticut State Grange pioneered in bringing much needed services to the rural people of Connecticut.

## THE GALLON CLUBBERS

Some one once said that War will either bring the best or the worst out of the destruction and chaos. Our close work with the Red Cross, especially during the War Years is an excellent example. In January 1945, Harry L. Page, then Master of the Connecticut State Grange wrote the following into his Annual Address: "I am truly grateful for the response to the appeal to Grange members to give their pint of blood to the American Red Cross for the vital plasma so sorely needed by our boys. Quite a number of Patrons from various Granges are consistent donors and will soon be eligible. I sincerely appreciate it." He also remarked in the next annual Address as follows: "While the American Red Cross Chapters have long since closed the mobile units and the urgent need for blood plasma has passed, I feel so appreciative towards those who have donated that a complete list of gallon clubbers will appear in an early issue of the National Grange Monthly."

During 1949-50, Sister Helen Provent, Chairman of the Connecticut State Grange Home Economics Committee, under State Master Ira F. Wilcox, stressed the Blood Bank donations in cooperation with the Red Cross. Since then each year finds the Grange helping that organization obtain its goal of much needed blood both for the armed forces and civilian use.

## THE FARMERS AND TRADERS LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

From time to time various Life Insurance plans have been presented to the National Grange for consideration as Companies handling official Grange Life Insurance. For one reason and another these have either been definitely rejected by the delegate body or just died a nat-



ural death. In 1914, at the Wilmington, Delaware Session of the National Grange the official stamp or parental approval was laid upon the Farmers & Traders Life Insurance Company of Syracuse, New York. Since then it has aided many State Granges through a financial plan of a part of the agents commission being paid the State Grange for the privilege of writing their Patrons.

The Farmers & Traders Company does not limit its operations to Grange Policyholders.

The Company elected National Master Louis J. Taber as President of the Company in 1938, an office he has held ever since then..

The Farmers & Traders Life Insurance Company was admitted to Connecticut and began its operations here as our Grange Life Insurance Company in April 1944. The growth has not been startling but of a steady healthy nature. Thus another type of co-operative enterprise was added in service for our Connecticut members.

## THE CONNECTICUT MAP

One of the outstanding Lecturers' projects carried on throughout the State was the Connecticut Map. This proved so popular, educational and of such historical benefit that it will be long remembered. Quoting from State Lecturer, Sister Alma Brooks' Annual Report given in January 1948, we find the following: "Speaking of the projects and contests held during the year, let us first mention our Connecticut Map. This project has created much interest and enthusiasm and has proven to be an education in itself. We hope that a permanent home will be found where it can be of service to the public. The Map is made of plywood, its dimensions four by six feet. Brother Brooks originated the idea and it was constructed by Worthy State Steward, Brother Ira Wilcox, and completed by the Granges under the supervision of the Pomona Lecturers. The object was to secure present or early history of present or first industries of the communities in which the Granges are located and have a miniature placed

on the Map where the Town is located. Many of the miniatures are handmade and are very beautiful. Here is another example of working together."

Sister Brooks was really very modest in her description of this project. Each county was cut out of the plywood and painted a different color. Then within this county were outlined the town lines. The articles were attached to the town, and a key to the entire map gave a brief description of each miniature and its history. For an example: Riverton (Barkhamsted) was the home of the famous Hitchcock Chairs, a tiny hitchcock chair was attached upon the Town of Barkhamsted; Morris manufactured the first horse drawn hay rake, and a tiny replica was attached to Morris, etc.

Much time and thought was given to where this could finally be lodged for all to see and appreciate. It was finally covered with glass and placed upon the wall of our Connecticut Room in the New England Grange Building on the Eastern States Exposition Grounds at West Springfield, Massachusetts, where thousands view it each year and marvel at its picture history.

## KING AND QUEEN CONTEST

With Youth in mind, Sister Alma Brooks, Lecturer of the Connecticut State Grange, started the King and Queen Contest in 1950 under the title of the Connecticut State Grange Youth Achievement Contest. It proved to be very popular and has been carried on through 1951, 1952 and 1953.

The finals from each Pomona met in Meriden City Hall. The following were the contestants from each Pomona:

### 1950

Central Pomona No. 1: Harriet Louise Stevens and George Daboll, Jr.

Quinebaug Pomona No. 2: Arlene Lorraine Reynolds and Walter Wilson, Jr.

East Central Pomona No. 3: Natalie Gedrim and William Orcutt.

Mountain County Pomona No. 4: Blanche Rhyce and David W. Seelye.

New Haven County Pomona No. 5: Marilyn Jacobson and George Page.

New London County Pomona No. 6: Carole Ann Whipple and Charles Hill.

Excelsior Pomona No. 7: Evelyn Barnes and Thomas Horan.

Sea View Pomona No. 8: Barbara Bragdon and Walter Urban.

Fairfield County Pomona No. 9: Nancy Jane Burr and Frank Rothe.

Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10: Norma Bierce and Paul Johnson.

Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11: Lucy Humphrey and Roy Edgerton.

Judges: Past State Lecturer of Massachusetts State Grange Sister Dorothy Warden; Rhode Island State Lecturer, Sister Rosellen Greene and Mr. Henry Hansen, County Agent Leader of the Extension Service of the University of Connecticut.

Winners: Natalie Gedrim of East Winner Grange, representing East Central Pomona Grange, and David W. Seelye of Beacon Grange, representing Mountain County Pomona Grange, were crowned King and Queen.

## 1951

Central Pomona No. 1: Beverly Tinkham and William Meisner, Jr.

Quinebaug Pomona No. 2: Beverly Carr and Richard King.

East Central Pomona No. 3: Betty Squire and Reginald Bancroft.

Mountain County Pomona No. 4: Nancy Gaylord and Gordon Sanford.

New Haven County Pomona No. 5: Betsy Carlson and William Elges.

New London County Pomona No. 6: Carole Whipple and Donald Standish.

Excelsior Pomona No. 7: Barbara Ferguson and Thomas roHan.

Fairfield County Pomona No. 9: Nancy Burr and Earl Banks.

Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10: Catherine Palmer and Frank Rossiter.

Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11: Johanne Avery and Richard Fox.

Judges: Miss Jean Lee, State Assistant Leader in 4-H Club Work; Mr. Clifford Smith, Dad of DeMolay of Ionic Chapter in Torrington, and Brother Kenneth Thompson, Past Pomona Lecturer of Pioneer Valley Pomona Grange of Massachusetts.

Winners: Sister Carole Whipple of Ledyard Grange, representing New London County Pomona Grange and Brother Thomas Horan of Beacon Valley Grange, representing Excelsior Pomona Grange, were crowned King and Queen.

## 1952

Central Pomona No. 1: Beverly Tinkham and Roger E. Lamb.

Quinebaug Pomona No. 2: Muriel L. Dumas and Robert Hunter.

East Central Pomona No. 3: Eleanor R. Follansbee and Walter C. Simon.

Mountain County Pomona No. 4: Blanche Rhyce and Robert Wagner.

New Haven County No. 5: Jane E. Carlson and Nickolas Koeber.

New London County Pomona No. 6: Bernice Manning and Richard White.

Excelsior Pomona No. 7: Joanne Berلمان and Edward Newell.

Sea View Pomona No. 8: Janice McDonald and Ned Mockler.

Fairfield County Pomona No. 9: Gene Platt and Earl H. Banks.

Housatonic Valley Pomona No. 10: Betty Johnson and Paul Johnson.

Farmington Valley Pomona No. 11: Margaret Bristol and Richard E. Fox.

Judges: Dr. Ina C. Sortoriorious of Salisbury; Miss Margaret Graham of Torrington; Mr. Roy Norcross of New Haven; Mr. Howard Martindale of Meriden and Brother Kenneth Thompson of Massachusetts.

Winners: Sister Eleanor Follansbee of Somers Grange, representing East Central Pomona Grange, and Brother Earl Banks of Redding Grange, representing Fairfield County Pomona Grange, were crowned King and Queen.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rendering Community Service started when the first Grange was organized. We find countless times and pages devoted through the years especially since the reorganization of the Connecticut State Grange in 1885, given to reports of the activities carried on by Granges. Each leaving their mark upon the community that had a Grange, making it a better place to live in for the Grange having passed that way.

In recent years more stress has been laid upon the Lecturer, upon the Home Economics Committee and upon the Members to set up a special goal in Community Work. Special awards have been made and honor has been bestowed upon those taking this torch and carrying it far.

During the year 1951, Brother Wilcox, Master of the Connecticut State Grange, reported to the National Office that every Grange in the State of Connecticut had set up a piece of Community work and had completed it, thus making us 100% in our Community Work Report. This was the first time that a State Grange had reported 100% completion and the National Grange awarded the Master and the State Grange a fine plaque in appreciation of such an accomplishment. In 1952, we received another plaque for again Connecticut was the first to report 100% participation, and Wallingford Grange No. 33 was a national winner and received \$500.00, but this time Minnesota also reported 100% but as we had twice as many Granges as they did, we still felt pretty good about it.

Some of the best examples of Community work are as follows: Building a park for the community; furnishing and maintaining a room in the hospital; buying a fire truck; building a fire house for the community; helping build a house for a neighbor who lost his place by fire; building a ball field for the youth of the town; cemetery improvement; placed signs of their town in adjacent towns; installed a traffic light at a dangerous intersection; built a swimming pool for the young people; painted and repaired a church in the village; landscaped the green, etc., and many others.

## THE STATE GRANGE

## "CENTRAL OFFICE"

From the earliest years the Fathers of the Grange have dreamed of a "Central Office," where all the records could be easily housed and made accessible not only to our own members but for others making research work. It would give the Order prominence, strength and prestige.

Many times this has been the subject of comment and consideration, each time the conservatism of our leaders has pushed it off to some far reaching day when—

At last the Delegate Body was ready for action in a concerted way and on October 20, 1951, the following resolution was presented and adopted:

Whereas, The detail work of the State Offices, especially the State Secretary, has increased many times in recent years, and

Whereas, The establishment of a Central Business Office for the State Grange would increase the efficiency of all the offices of the Organization; facilitate the co-operation of the State Grange with other Farm Organizations; materially assist the legislative work of the Order; and aid in various ways in all the activities of the State Grange, therefore

Be It Resolved, That the Executive Committee of the State Grange be instructed to establish such an office within the next 30 days.

Several sites were looked over and finally the basement of the Patrons Fire Insurance Company Building on Naubuc Avenue, in Glastonbury, Connecticut was taken as a temporary place. This has worked out very nicely but has long since outgrown its quarters there and we must eventually seek a larger place elsewhere if its efficiency is to be continued.

We find in the 1952 Connecticut State Grange Journal of Proceedings, under the Master's Annual Address: "The Delegates of the last Annual Session voted that a Central Office be estab-



lished which the Executive Committee has been able to do but not entirely in accordance with the facts presented at the time.

Very likely many of you have occasionally found that some of your best laid plans and arrangements do not materialize. Your Executive Committee had this experience in locating the Central Office. Between the time when arrangements were made for a room at the Bond Hotel, as reported at the last Annual Session, and the time we reported the action of the delegate body, which was immediately after the close of the session, the management of the Hotel changed to a new Company.

The ultimate result is that the Central Office is in the basement of the building owned by the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Company at 122 Naubac Avenue, Glastonbury, and Brother Covell has been retained as our one employee to operate the office. We appreciate the fact that this company was willing to construct a suitable room for us to relieve the emergency wherein we found ourselves. It is certain that the Committee selected this site, although it is very accessible with no premium on parking space, with no thought that it should be permanent.

During the summer the Executive Committee was advised that a building which is less than three blocks from the State Capitol building here in Hartford, could be bought. Investigation proved it to be a brick two family dwelling with a two car brick garage and enough land to park up to ten cars. It needed some repairing and considerable remodeling in order to be suitable for our use. It seemed feasible to make office space on the first floor, a tenement on the second floor with a possibility of rooms on the third floor and in addition to this, it was not unlikely that the parking space would be in demand. Estimates by the committee seemed to indicate what when in operation not only would the State Grange have a home of its own but the income from the investment would be considerably better than what we are getting at the present time. However, there were two big disadvantages: To buy and remodel would have taken

twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), possibly twenty three thousand dollars (\$23,000), which meant using most of our liquid assets unless we took a mortgage and the location is not the most desirable at the present time but is expected to improve.

A majority of your Executive Committee was in favor of purchasing but it was felt that the entire committee should be in accord to embark upon such an enterprise without specific instructions from the delegate body so the purchase was not made. It is interesting to note that another Agricultural Organization within the State has since made plans to establish and maintain an office not too far from the location looked at by your representatives."

### THE \$1,000 QUILT

During 1951-52 the National Grange Home Economics Committee ran a National Quilt Contest. Connecticut supported this contest loyally and after the eliminations were run off at the State Session held last October in Hartford, the following were the three placings in the State: Middlebury Grange No. 139, first; Silver Lake Grange No. 135, second; and Granby Grange No. 5, third.

The Sears Roebuck Foundation sponsored this project through the National Grange and offered as a first prize \$1,000; second, \$50.00; third, \$25.00 and fourth, \$15, with the understanding that the first National winning prize was to be given to the wife of the President of the United States and that in all States their first prize, except the National winner, was to be given to the wife of the Governor of that State, with the second prize in the National winner State to be given that State.

Middlebury was awarded the first place and negotiations were made to have State Master Wilcox, and Sister Wilcox, accompanied by State Home Economics Committee Chairman, Sister Sally Bernier, The Chairman of the National Grange Home Economics Committee, The National Master and a representative of the Sears Roebuck Foundation go to the White House and make the presentation. Through circumstances

which are not easily explained or understood, this never took place due to the lack of co-operation on the part of the recipient. The Quilt was here in Connecticut, the second prize one had already been presented to Mrs. Lodge, the wife of our Governor, so we presented the Middlebury National Award Winning Quilt to the wife of our National Master during the New England Lecturers' Conference which they attended in August 1953, here at the University of Connecticut. We are indeed proud that the First Lady of the Grange is now its owner.

### AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY INCORPORATED AWARD

One of the honors conferred upon the Connecticut State Grange and its Master was the receipt of the American Cancer Society Appreciation Award made to this organization for their outstanding help in making the 1953 Fund Campaign a success. This award may be just a thankful gesture, but it is more than that for it again puts its stamp upon an organization "who is his Brothers' Keeper." The Grange has always been on the list of Firsts in times of need and trouble where their fellow man needs support.

### THE DAIRY SUPPER CONTEST

Early in the Spring of 1953, Milk started to write a new chapter in the History of the Dairy People of Connecticut. An idea was conceived and developed by Grange people, whereby the Connecticut State Grange would help to promote the use of more milk. This was carried along with the splendid cooperation of the Connecticut Milk Producers Association.

The purpose was to encourage the public to use more fluid milk and the Connecticut Grangers went after it in a big way. The period that this campaign was run was during June 1953 and a prize was to be offered to the three top Granges who put on a Supper covering the following points: First, stressing the use of fluid milk; second, the use of milk products and third, advertising the use of milk at this dinner and elsewhere.

This was the first time that the Connecticut State Grange ever really got behind a farm product and concentrated upon it in such a manner. Fifty Granges took part in the event. 4,414 adults and 692 children were served. 2,627 quarts of fluid milk were consumed. The meals served were of a high type and the praise higher. In came the entry blanks, followed by the fulfillment ones, the judges judged and the results were most satisfactory not only to the Dairy interests but to the Grange folk for having accomplished another "first."

The judges were as follows: Theodore Gold from West Cornwall; Miss Janina Czajkoski of the University of Connecticut and Mrs. Albert G. Klock, of Somers.

Two Granges tied for first place. They were Torrington Grange No. 174 located on Torrington Street in Torrington, and Brooklyn Grange No. 43 in Brooklyn, Connecticut, each receiving \$100 award. The third Grange was Silver Lake Grange, No. 135 of Sharon, and they received \$25.00. The following each received the \$20.00 merit award apiece: Wichita No. 132; North Stonington No. 138; Hope No. 20; Somers No. 105; Simsbury No. 197; Preston City No. 110; Union No. 25; Winchester No. 74; Ellington No. 46 and Trumbull No. 134.

### JUVENILE GRANGE SUMMER CAMP

On August 2, 1953, the first organized Juvenile Grange Camp opened in the Town of Warren on the grounds of the Litchfield County 4-H Center, under the auspices of the Connecticut State Grange with Deputy Marjorie Tanner as Camp Chairman, assisted by Deputy Myrtle Thuillard and Deputy Mildred Bell. The Camp Directors were Sister Cora Meservey, Matron of Silver Lake Juvenile Grange and Brother Ellsworth Beecher, Patrons of Winchester Juvenile Grange. The Camp nurses were Mrs. Louise Hansen of Sharon and Mrs. Gladys Baker of West Hartford. Sister Lucy Vail was Camp Mother.

Two groups attended the Camp, each for a period of one week. The first week seventy Juvenile Members were in attendance and during the second week

there were sixty-seven. At the end of each week a candlelight service was held attended by parents and friends there being about two hundred at each service.

Handicraft was taught and the Juvenile Granges learned the first lesson of society, which is to get along with each other in the best fashion possible.

The Camp ended on August 15th and was pronounced by all a great success.

One of the outstanding benefits we think are that the Juveniles have really come into their own here in Connecticut and this Camp has helped perhaps more than any other one thing to establish them firmly within the Grange family.

No longer are we to be satisfied in merely tolerating them as they come and go, but acknowledgement has been made that they can maintain their rank among us. We owe all a great deal for having made this step possible, may they accept our humble thanks.

When State Master Wilcox related the success of this project to National Master Newsom he said that as far as he knew this was the first organized Juvenile Grange Camp in the Nation.

The three Deputies who so ably headed this Camp have been raising money through the sales of Juvenile clothing, such as neckties, sweatshirts and other things for a permanent Camp Fund.



## GOLD SHEAF MEMBERS

## Journal

- 1932—Julia G. Fox, No. 34
- 1933—Ellora Kimberly Ives, No. 107  
60 years
- 1935—Sherman J. Shallow, No. 171
- 1936—Alice E. Baldwin, No. 23  
Cornelia M. French, No. 23  
Henry S. Frost, No. 23  
Elijah Rogers, No. 25  
Sarah Rogers, No. 25  
Nellie A. Carrier, No. 26  
Addie Stancliff Hale, No. 26  
George H. Hale, No. 26  
Justin Hollister, No. 26  
Antoinette Clark, No. 27  
Ella C. Henshaw, No. 27  
Howard A. Henshaw, No. 27  
LeRoy Sikes, No. 27  
Ella Spaulding, No. 27  
Mary Yale Baldwin, No. 29  
Ernest M. Ives, No. 29  
Charles L. Pomeroy, No. 29  
J. George Schwink, No. 29  
Lillian E. Grant, No. 30  
Mrs. J. S. Cushman, No. 31  
Charles L. Gold, No. 32  
William C. Hart, No. 32  
Hattie Hough Barnes, No. 33  
J. Norris Barnes, No. 33  
Zera P. Beach, No. 33  
George W. Cooke, No. 33  
Mrs. George W. Cooke, No. 33  
George D. Hall, No. 33  
Mrs. George D. Hall, No. 33  
George A. Hopson, No. 33  
Nettie Terrell Young, No. 33  
Albert B. Brockett, No. 35  
Catherine B. Porter, No. 35  
Nellie C. Cleaveland, No. 36  
Chester B. Jewett, No. 36  
Mary W. Jewett, No. 36  
David A. Crowell, No. 42  
Mrs. Henry C. Dunham, No. 42  
James Longworth, No. 42  
Jennie Burnham Bradley, No. 52  
George F. Douglas, No. 62
- 1937—George Weigold, No. 20  
Walter H. Baldwin, No. 23  
George W. Thorp, No. 29  
Keeney B. Lewis, No. 31 \*60yr.  
Emma Miller, No. 33  
W. H. Bartholomew, No. 33
- Arthur A. Blakeslee, No. 33  
D. A. St. John, No. 38  
Stephen Heath, No. 38  
William D. Gruppe, No. 38  
Mrs. William D. Gruppe, No. 38  
Harry P. Batty, No. 39  
Leonard H. Healey, No. 40  
Ella F. Child, No. 40  
May M. Hempsted, No. 41  
John H. Atkins, No. 42  
Charles T. Davis, No. 42  
Wm. H. Pomeroy, No. 42  
Thomas F. Addie, No. 42  
Alice Litchfield, No. 43  
LeRoy A. Pearl, No. 43  
Nellie C. Pearl, No. 43  
Clarke W. Lawton, No. 43  
Elizabeth W. Lawton, No. 43  
Thomas A. Francis, No. 44  
Charles A. Thompson, No. 46  
Charles A. Reed, No. 52  
Charles W. Pitkin, No. 52  
Emma D. Pitkin, No. 52  
Delia M. Lowrey, No. 54  
Lucie A. Beckwith, No. 54  
Wm. L. Higgins, No. 75  
Mary A. Toothe, No. 114  
Eliza P. Clinton, No. 115  
Mrs. George H. Todd, No. 115
- 1938—John M. Larned, No. 1  
Mrs. John M. Larned, No. 1  
\*60 yr.  
Kerrell K. Kimberly, No. 20  
William H. Carrier, No. 26  
Florence H. Curtis, No. 26  
\*60 yr.  
Louise M. Hollister, No. 26  
Louis W. Howe, No. 26  
Mrs. LeRoy Sikes, No. 27  
Mrs. Arthur Sikes, No. 27  
Dexter E. Hall, No. 29  
Adele P. Brush, No. 32  
George W. Harrison, No. 33  
Mrs. George H. Todd, No. 35  
Mrs. Hobart B. Allen, No. 35  
Frederick H. Brockett, No. 35  
William H. Todd, No. 35  
William W. Jewett, No. 36  
Alice M. Hammond, No. 36  
Carrie B. Healey, No. 40  
Dora L. Clark, No. 40  
Walter Roberts, No. 42  
Mrs. Charles Bacon, No. 42  
David A. Crowell, No. 42  
L. Emma Spaulding, No. 43  
Charles D. Luce, No. 44  
Mrs. E. G. Pease, No. 46

Mrs. H. H. McKnight, No. 46  
 Charles B. Sikes, No. 46  
 Adelia N. Loomis, No. 47  
 Albert C. Dart, No. 52  
 Mary Luce Carpenter, No. 54  
 Asa Brainard, No. 56  
 George B. Hall, No. 56  
 Margaret L. Palmer, No. 56  
 Sarah L. Parker, No. 56  
 William F. Palmer, No. 56  
 Jennie B. Brainard, No. 56  
 Susan Hall, No. 56  
 Clifford W. Coe, No. 57  
 Lula Daniels Coe, No. 57  
 Joseph E. Stoddard, No. 61  
 Annie M. Stoddard, No. 61  
 Frank L. Miller, No. 63  
 Lucinda Miller, No. 63  
 Luther Fowler, No. 63  
 Charles A. Wheeler, No. 64  
 Alice L. Elliott, No. 65  
 Cyrus D. Evarts, No. 66  
 Hattie Faber, No. 71  
 William A. Faber, No. 71  
 Eva Byam, No. 71  
 John R. S. Todd, No. 71  
 Ard Welton, No. 72 \*60 yr.  
 H. C. C. Miles, No. 73, \*60 yr  
 Benjamin Fenn, No. 73  
 Sarah Goodenough, No. 74  
 Flora L. Hall, No. 75  
 Sarah A. Bailey, No. 84  
 Nellie Hotchkiss, No. 144

1939—Everett I. Pardee, No. 23  
 Revilo W. Hubbard, No. 29  
 Susan Keeney, No. 31  
 George E. Hough, No. 33, \*60yr  
 Emma H. Williams, No. 33  
 \*60 yr.  
 Elmer C. Jewett, No. 36  
 Nellie Smith Batley, No. 39  
 Robert W. Andrew, No. 39  
 Carrie Lee, No. 42  
 Edward W. Lee, No. 42, \*60 yr.  
 Alfred A. Wilcox, No. 52, \*60yr.  
 Francis M. Charter, No. 46  
 George Webster, No. 52  
 Lucy Lewis, No. 54  
 Abeline C. Averill, No. 61  
 Edmund S. Backus, No. 65  
 John L. Bass, No. 69  
 Luther B. Ashley, No. 69,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Helen M. Stanley, No. 71  
 Warren B. Hitchcock, No. 71  
 Fred Beecher, No. 74  
 George Beech, No. 74, \*60 yr.

Frank Beach, No. 74  
 H. Bertram Pomeroy, No. 75,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Amelia G. Walbridge, No. 75  
 Julia A. Perkins, No. 76  
 Winthrop White, No. 76, \*60 yr.  
 James Hodge, No. 87  
 Laura Cushman Brewer, No. 87,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Hattie E. Tanner, No. 89  
 John E. Tanner, No. 89  
 Mary E. Gallup, No. 89  
 Frank Paige Todd, No. 112  
 Wilbur H. Kelsey, No. 116,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Lucy E. Hollister, No. 127,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Mary L. Potter, No. 127  
 Addie G. Hopkins, No. 140  
 \*60 yr.  
 Bessie C. Moshier, No. 144  
 Laverne G. Clark, No. 144  
 Charles H. Miller, No. 174  
 \*60 yr.  
 Adele Johnson, No. 174,  
 \*60 yr.

1940—E. F. Doolittle, No. 20, \*60 yr.  
 Addie J. Doolittle, No. 20  
 Alice Hitchcock, No. 23  
 Cara H. Miller, No. 23  
 Graham A. Hitchcock, No. 23,  
 \*60 yr.  
 George H. Carrier, No. 26,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Howard Sikes, No. 27  
 Clara W. Torrey, No. 33  
 George H. Ives, No. 33  
 Emma Humphrey, No. 34  
 Evelyn B. Clinton, No. 35  
 William H. Marks, No. 35  
 \*60 yr.  
 Evelyn D. Scott, No. 39  
 Cora Griswold, No. 39  
 Marie Dickinson, No. 42  
 Robert Hubbard, No. 42, \*60 yr.  
 Frank B. Nangle, No. 46  
 Edith Maxwell, No. 47, \*60 yr.  
 Arthur E. Allen, No. 58, \*60 yr.  
 Robert Stevens, No. 66  
 Clifford H. Evarts, No. 77  
 Myron Abell, No. 78  
 Robert Sinclair, No. 92  
 Sara A. Sinclair, No. 92  
 Alex Sinclair, No. 92  
 Julia A. Fiske, No. 94  
 Jennie Hotchkiss, No. 103  
 Alta M. Clark, No. 103

William B. Osborn, No. 107  
 Lena F. Gilbert, No. 107  
 Fessenden L. Ives, No. 107  
 LeRoy C. Beecher, No. 108  
 Mary Beisiegel, No. 108, \*60yr.  
 Minnie R. Tompkins, No. 108

\*60 yr.  
 Edith H. Peck, No. 108  
 Charles Toothe, No. 114  
 Alfred E. Hollister, No. 127,  
 \*60 yr.

Myrtle B. Brown, No. 140,  
 \*60 yr.

Charles Pomeroy, No. 180,  
 \*60 yr.

1941—Howard J. Newbury, No. 20  
 Nellie M. Cook, No. 23  
 Anita L. Miller, No. 26, \*60 yr.  
 Edna W. Parmelee, No. 33  
 George Chapman, No. 33  
 Mrs. A. A. Blakeslee, No. 33,  
 \*60 yr.

Lucy B. Wooding, No. 33, \*60yr.

Mrs. H. O. Daniels, No. 42,  
 \*60 yr.

Hattie R. Barrows, No. 44  
 Morton C. Thompson, No. 46,  
 \*60 yr.

Florence West Rowe, No. 46  
 Allen B. Cook, No. 48, \*60 yr.

Leander O. Haskins, No. 69

Edith E. Sutcliffe, No. 72

Edward L. Humphrey, No. 74

Hattie B. Humphrey, No. 74

Sarah R. H. Meigs, No. 77,

\*60 yr.

Bertha L. Morehouse, No. 86

Lillian L. Wheeler, No. 92

Rose Sinclair, No. 92

Edward E. Curtiss, No. 92,

\*60 yr.

Frederick A. Stoddard, No. 107

Edward A. Hitchcock, No. 108

Maud A. Hitchcock, No. 108,

\*60 yr.

Grace Beisiegel, No. 108,

\*60 yr.

Aden A. Tillinghast, No. 113

Francis H. Robbins, No. 114

Leila Standish, No. 114

William H. Warner, No. 114

Irene A. Willard, No. 114

Mary E. Hart, No. 114

William S. Morris, No. 114

Nellie J. Minor, No. 116

Clara E. Hough, No. 116

Dora H. Bloss, No. 121, \*60 yr.

Robert A. Chapman, No. 127,  
 \*60 yr.

David M. Plumb, No. 144

1942—Annie Ives Kifmire, No. 29

\*60 yr.

Arthur H. Doolittle, No. 108,  
 \*60 yr.

Newton J. Peck, No. 108

Charles E. Gaylord, No. 116,  
 \*60 yr.

Cora E. Broadbent, No. 116

Willis Hodge, No. 26, \*60 yr.

Almon B. Webster, No. 107

Generva C. Clark, No. 124

Myron G. Skinner, No. 124

Charles J. Dewey, No. 30

Arthur H. Bushnell, No. 24,  
 \*60 yr.

Frank A. Lasbury, No. 1

George N. Blakeslee, No. 35

Franklin E. Buell, No. 77

Jennie C. Hunt, No. 131

T. Henry Prisk, No. 33

L. Morelle Cooke, No. 33,  
 \*60 yr.

Mrs. Wilbur Simpson, No. 33,  
 \*60 yr.

Wilbur Simpson, No. 33

Annie Grist Miller, No. 33,  
 \*60 yr.

Aaron W. Fenn, No. 72

Charles A. Welton, No. 72

Mary Atkins, No. 42

James E. Daniels, No. 42,  
 \*60 yr.

Mrs. James E. Daniels, No. 42,  
 \*60 yr.

Josephine E. Downs, No. 103,  
 \*60 yr.

Minnie A. Doolittle, No. 103,  
 \*60 yr.

Grace Ackerman, No. 42

Grace H. Davis, No. 42, \*60 yr.

Grace M. Atkins, No. 42

Charlotte Peck, No. 73

Bertha Averill, No. 11, \*60 yr.

Charles B. Gibson, No. 11

John B. Hollister, No. 11,  
 \*60 yr.

Oscar F. Richards, No. 124

Ellen E. Smith, No. 124

Ivanette Bailey, No. 124

Sylvia S. Beardsley, No. 92

Edward S. Beardsley, No. 92,  
 \*60 yr.

Harold B. Waldo, No. 127

Harry G. Manchester, No. 74



Hattie E. Manchester, No. 74  
 Mrs. Albert M. Rice, No. 23  
 Charles C. Hall, No. 23  
 Isabel L. Strong, No. 78  
 Harriet A. Reynolds, No. 78  
 Foster C. Hall, No. 75, \*60 yr.

1943—Mrs. Everett I. Pardee, No. 23  
 Frank R. Sloper, No. 23  
 Theron S. French, No. 23  
 Mrs. Theron S. French, No. 23  
 Agnes B. Adams, No. 24  
 Louis W. Hitchcock, No. 33  
 Mrs. Martha Bowe, No. 33  
 Mary W. Johnson, No. 58,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Joseph E. Dowd, No. 77  
 Henry F. Marquand, No. 77  
 Nathan E. Wells, No. 79  
 Edwin R. Rouff, No. 87  
 Cora A. Beardsley, No. 92  
 Florence W. Hurd, No. 92  
 Edwin C. Shelton, No. 92  
 Daniel A. Doolittle, No. 103  
 Frederick B. Plumb, Sr., No. 107  
 Annie W. Morgan, No. 114  
 William G. Neff, No. 124  
 Alice E. Barrows, No. 127  
 Henry P. Smith, No. 127  
 Dwight E. Wakelee, No. 130,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Henry E. Hutchins, No. 131  
 Curtis A. Holmes, No. 131  
 Maud Holmes, No. 131  
 Julia A. Little, No. 131  
 Charles E. Hopkins, No. 140,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Emma C. Wakelee, No. 186,  
 \*60 yr.

1944—Mrs. F. A. Lasbury, No. 1  
 Clarence B. Nettleton, No. 11  
 Burton M. Patterson, No. 20  
 Fred N. Taylor, No. 21  
 Walter N. Foster, No. 30  
 George A. Williams, No. 33  
 Delevan W. Ives, No. 33  
 Addie M. Fitts, No. 36  
 Mary Jewett, No. 36  
 George M. Thompson, No. 36  
 Fannie Prior, No. 42  
 Myra J. Frink, No. 43  
 H. L. Hamilton, No. 46  
 Lizzie M. Carter, No. 54  
 Florence G. Hefflon, No. 56  
 Florence A. Cowles, No. 54  
 Frederick G. Hefflon, No. 56

Alice K. Willoughby, No. 69,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Grace Buell Dawley, No. 77  
 Frank S. Hopson, No. 79  
 John D. Barnum, No. 86  
 Abbie R. Kelley, No. 86  
 Mary L. Gaylord, No. 116  
 Emma D. Mitchell, No. 129  
 Randall Frink, No. 131  
 Mary D. Hutchins, No. 131  
 Herbert H. Collins, No. 131  
 Cora D. Hutchins, No. 131  
 Robert H. Perkins, No. 132  
 Ada R. Dunham, No. 133  
 Simeon B. Pease, No. 133  
 Burr S. Beach, No. 134  
 Jennie A. Brinsmade, No. 134  
 V. A. Griswold Smith, No. 134  
 Dwight L. Wheeler, No. 139

1945—Richard Williams, No. 23  
 Grace M. Hitchcock, No. 23  
 William Andrews, No. 23  
 Minnie M. Dodge, No. 23  
 William E. Gardner, No. 29  
 Annie V. Collins, No. 30  
 Gertie Thompson, No. 36  
 Winnie Jewett, No. 36  
 William A. Pearl, No. 36  
 Elisha H. Plumb, No. 42  
 Mahlon B. Charter, No. 46  
 Frank O. Wood, No. 46  
 Frank A. Williams, No. 56,  
 \*60 yr.  
 William J. Gelston, No. 56  
 Martha Evans, No. 63  
 Grace E. Harris, No. 63  
 Fred C. Miller, No. 63  
 Ralph G. Warner, No. 72  
 Hattie J. Welton, No. 72  
 Albert N. Beard, No. 73  
 Frederick M. Smith, No. 73  
 James W. Bancroft, No. 87  
 Harry P. Brewer, No. 87  
 Charles P. Gallup, No. 87  
 Henry F. Sherman, No. 92  
 Frederick B. Williams, No. 103  
 C. Ella Day, No. 112  
 Henry L. Welles, No. 114  
 Mary A. Gill, No. 118  
 A. F. Copeland, No. 121  
 John J. Northrup, No. 129  
 Fannie E. Collins, No. 131  
 C. Fred Abbott, No. 139  
 Arthur S. Judd, No. 139  
 Charles O. Dodge, No. 140  
 Lotta L. Dodge, No. 140  
 Carrie E. Green, No. 140  
 Jennie B. Matthewson, No. 140

Mary R. Clark, No. 142  
 Hortense Rice, No. 142  
 Avery M. Vaill, No. 143  
 Edith B. Vaill, No. 143  
 Edith W. Cooke, No. 143  
 Alfred H. Wright, No. 143  
 George H. Cowdell, No. 144  
 Luella H. Cowdell, No. 144  
 Katherine B. Clark, No. 144  
 Leila Wallace, No. 144  
 Lillie D. Hill, No. 149

1946—Mary G. M. Newbury, No. 20  
 John R. Henshaw, No. 27  
 Mrs. Curtis Hull, No. 33  
 Harry L. Bartholomew, No. 33  
 Philip T. Geherty, No. 33  
 Albert F. Bidwell, No. 34  
 Mrs. E. S. Mansfield, No. 35  
 Stella F. Corf, No. 35  
 Henry F. Corf, No. 35  
 Edith M. Brockett, No. 35  
 Oscar L. Smith, No. 35  
 Hubert S. Blake, No. 39  
 Clara E. Loomis, No. 47  
 Bessie R. Hefflon, No. 56  
 Willis Covell, No. 61  
 Grace E. Watrous, No. 67,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Arthur E. Blewitt, No. 71  
 Elbert R. Chapman, No. 86  
 Charles R. Strickland, No. 87  
 Eloise A. Curtiss, No. 92  
 Milo D. Beach, No. 107  
 Martha L. Ives, No. 107  
 Sidney R. Dickinson, No. 108  
 Frederick G. Sperry, No. 108,  
 \*60 yr.  
 George R. Hubbell, No. 108  
 Louise M. Perkins, No. 108  
 Alfred L. Beecher, No. 108  
 Helen I. Baldwin, No. 108  
 H. Olive Chatfield, No. 108  
 Charles E. Peck, No. 108  
 Frank L. Bennett, No. 112  
 Martha C. Standish, No. 114  
 Willard E. Hough, No. 116  
 Jessie M. Elliott, No. 118  
 Howard F. Spencer, No. 124  
 Jeanette Lindley, No. 134  
 Howard S. Beach, No. 134  
 Sarah F. Carrington, No. 142

1947—Lena B. Brown, No. 1  
 Edgar Newbury, No. 20  
 Rebecca N. Newbury, No. 20  
 Hannah M. Taylor, No. 21  
 Edwin Hoadley, No. 25

Charra M. Bennett, No. 25  
 Charles S. Kifmire, No. 29  
 Lillian Prisk, No. 33  
 Grace Barnes, No. 33  
 William H. Harrison, No. 33  
 Clara Heaton, No. 33  
 Carrie L. Davenport, No. 38  
 Carrie M. Fenwick, No. 38  
 Lillie Doherty, No. 38  
 Katherine W. Henry, No. 38  
 C. Marsden Bacon, No. 42  
 Myron C. Harris, No. 42  
 George H. Wilcox, No. 42  
 Eliza B. Kelsey, No. 42  
 Susie Williams, No. 43  
 Alfred E. Williams, No. 43  
 Florence Kilbourn, No. 71  
 Bessie B. Pierpont, No. 71  
 William L. Garrigus, No. 71  
 Charlotte M. Merwin, No. 73  
 Alice M. Smith, No. 73  
 Walter S. Haven, No. 75  
 John E. Kingsbury, No. 75  
 Irvin Granniss, No. 84  
 Lottie E. S. Gallup, No. 89  
 Flora M. Gallup, No. 89  
 Lewis T. Twist  
 Giles F. Goodenough, No. 94  
 Nora M. Benham, No. 99  
 Ola M. West, No. 109  
 Muade A. Clark, No. 109  
 Grace B. Goff, No. 109  
 Charles S. Hulme, No. 118  
 Henry Gill, No. 118  
 Walter W. Clark, No. 124  
 Ernest S. Clark, No. 142  
 Jessie E. Banks, No. 133  
 Frederick C. Banks, No. 133  
 Frederick Berger, No. 144  
 Mary E. R. Bedell, No. 145  
 Leonard Waterbury, No. 145  
 Frank C. Fitch, No. 146  
 Musa W. Caples, No. 147  
 Mary F. Reynolds, No. 147  
 William Marvin, No. 147  
 Marian B. Maynard, No. 147  
 Alione E. Stark, No. 147  
 J. Warren Stark, No. 147  
 Fannie O. LeGere, No. 158  
 Telley E. Babcock, No. 172

1948—Florence V. Kilbourn, No. 71  
 Clifford S. Banks, No. 133  
 Edgar S. Banks, No. 133  
 Charles M. Geer, No. 21  
 Harriet P. Mellen, No. 149  
 Emma L. Cook, No. 58  
 Myron J. Burnham, No. 58

Jessie P. Tomlinson, No. 188  
 Bertha Voisard, No. 132  
 Alice W. Post, No. 111,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Willis M. Hall, No. 147  
 Maybelle C. Hough, No. 116  
 Clarence Johnson, No. 42  
 Archibald G. Prisk, No. 33  
 Ernest M. Shepherd, No. 33  
 Edwin L. Wood, No. 97  
 Stephen R. Waterbury, No. 146  
 Annie M. Beach, No. 134  
 Alice M. Fuller, No. 134  
 Arthur E. Pearl, No. 36  
 Sarah Hale Stocking, No. 109  
 Elizabeth E. Duffy, No. 58  
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 Cora F. Seymour, No. 152  
 Loren T. Waterbury, No. 38  
 Myrtel Scofield, No. 108  
 George Howard Gallup, No. 38  
 Elizabeth K. Beecher, No. 38  
 Urban G. Seymour, No. 38  
 A. Herbert Carlson, No. 35  
 Lottie Brewer, No. 87  
 Nettie L. Warner, No. 72  
 Earl C. Roberts, No. 42  
 Wesley Curnow, No. 23  
 Henry Curnow, No. 23  
 Alice H. Tucker, No. 23  
 Arthur Yale, No. 29  
 Royal Goff, No. 109  
 Harry L. Garrigus, No. 64  
 Mrs. Addie Pardee, No. 29  
 Ella Nelson, No. 29  
 Minnie S. Thompson, No. 27  
 Benoni A. Thompson, No. 27  
 William K. Raymond, No. 78  
 Mrs. Lucy L. Blake, No. 39  
 Veronica Stone Carter, No. 54  
 Lester J. Hutchins, No. 131  
 Elmer E. Bogue, No. 56, \*60yr.

1949—Loila S. Hall, No. 51  
 Bertha E. Tolles, No. 72  
 Esther Johanson, No. 103  
 Harriet S. Jones, No. 158  
 C. Curtis Camp, No. 42  
 Clifford J. Brotherton, No. 133  
 Mary Sarah Curnow Williams,  
 No. 23  
 Grace E. Elliott, No. 118  
 Edwin B. Adams, No. 24  
 Josephine A. Law, No. 65  
 George E. Law, No. 65  
 Clara E. Straw, No. 99  
 Ella P. Hamlin, No. 135  
 Elizabeth Neelans, No. 151

Ella Pease Mills, No. 151  
 Walter Pierce, No. 27  
 Alfred K. Chatfield, No. 108  
 Clifford P. Clark, No. 144  
 Jennie L. Andrews, No. 114  
 Edna B. Cook, No. 73  
 Mary C. Ambler, No. 152  
 Harmon W. Treat, No. 153  
 Mabel Hotchkiss, No. 144  
 Mrs. R. Allyn Sykes, No. 46  
 Martha N. Nangle, No. 46  
 Henry S. Tyler, No. 54  
 Edgar B. Perry, No. 146  
 Alma W. F. Shipman, No. 146  
 Albert Eaton, No. 116

1950—Samuel L. Straw, No. 99  
 Bertha Waugh, No. 66  
 Sarah E. Chichester, No. 38  
 Harriet Tryon, No. 42  
 Mrs. Elmer Hubbard, No. 42  
 Arthur E. Loomis, No. 31  
 Otto L. Pultz, No. 21  
 Myron Brockett, No. 35  
 Minnie E. Purdell, No. 42  
 W. Irving Lobdell, No. 79  
 Annie B. Treat, No. 153  
 Bertha K. Baldwin, No. 107  
 Hallock W. Martin, No. 147  
 Emma R. Gates, No. 127  
 Ellen Dixon, No. 26  
 Martha E. Kinni, No. 26  
 Mary Cook Leonard, No. 33  
 Mary Ives, No. 33  
 Robert A. Hall, No. 37  
 Newton W. Warner, No. 115  
 Walter E. Roberts, No. 103  
 Charles H. Bancroft, No. 46  
 Alice P. Charter, No. 46  
 Margaret E. Tanner, No. 89  
 Esther G. Tanner, No. 89  
 William H. Miles, No. 143  
 Lettie Olsen, No. 143

1951—Minor Ives, No. 29  
 Mary Ives, No. 29  
 Louis H. Sutterlin, No. 29  
 Edith N. Hoadley, No. 25  
 Julius M. Carley, No. 25  
 Anne B. Peet, No. 154  
 Ella May Darling, No. 154  
 Mrs. George Wilcox, No. 42  
 Grace H. Roberts, No. 23  
 Edna L. Morehouse, No. 133  
 May Allen Johnson, No. 121  
 Myron E. Crawford, No. 38  
 Frederick R. Mannng, No. 31  
 Irving J. Lockwood, No. 146



John W. Chase, No. 154  
 James W. R. Allen, No. 189  
 Mary Elizabeth Slater, No. 199  
 Mrs. Linus Baldwin, No. 42  
 John B. Hubbard, No. 73  
 Minnie Hubbard, Beard, No. 73  
 Bertha M. Hubbard, No. 73  
 Lena M. Bidwell, No. 34  
 Nellie C. Warner, No. 72  
 Margaret A. Griswold, No. 115  
 Grace Allen Hulme, No. 118  
 Irving B. Carter, No. 54  
 Agnes K. Miller, No. 63  
 Minor G. Gretzmer, No. 114  
 Frank M. Frost, No. 33  
 Carrie Stone Chase, No. 154  
 Mildred P. Ward, No. 154  
 Susie H. Dodge, No. 140  
 Leon J. Moffitt, No. 69  
 James E. Rhodes, 2nd, No. 58  
 B. Virgil Johnson, No. 58  
 Walter C. Tucker, No. 23  
 Albert G. Clark, No. 139  
 Gertrude A. Shailer, No. 77  
 Howard F. Kelsey, No. 77  
 Helena D. Williams, No. 23  
 Dwight J. Minor, No. 116  
 Anna Belle Davis, No. 38  
 Edwin Baker, No. 52, \*60 yr.  
 Lena Adams Rand, 60 yr.  
 Jared B. Standish, No. 114,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Alice C. Terrell, No. 23, \*60 yr.  
 Mary H. Travis, No. 38, \*60 yr.  
 Joseph F. Whitehead, No. 11

1952—Grace L. Bushnell, No. 24  
 Willis I. Savage, No. 24  
 Annie B. Griffith Clark, No. 24  
 Luella White Johnson, No. 27  
 Victor E. Lucchini, No. 29  
 Hiram D. Evans, No. 29  
 Levi T. Dewey, No. 30  
 George E. Johnson, No. 34  
 Edith M. Johnson, No. 34  
 Louise M. Price, No. 46  
 Helen Styring Tyler, No. 54  
 Emma B. Ellsworth, No. 58

Lillian M. S. Frink, No. 70  
 Clinton E. Frink, No. 70  
 Lemuel M. Carpenter, No. 70  
 George S. Clark, No. 73  
 Blanche Beecher, No. 74  
 Lester R. Hurlbutt, No. 74  
 Emma C. Watrous, No. 77  
 Gertrude L. Clinton Stevens,  
 No. 35  
 Sara B. Kellogg, No. 38  
 Marguerite A. Bradley, No. 39  
 Louise L. Child, No. 40  
 William C. Child, No. 40  
 Albert H. Williams, No. 40  
 Linus Baldwin, No. 42  
 Emma Lee, No. 42  
 Carrie Kretzmer, No. 42  
 Lottie M. Johnson, No. 42  
 Fred H. VanSands, No. 42  
 Stephen Kretzmer, No. 42  
 Alice Crowell, No. 42  
 Archie G. Ennis, No. 43  
 J. Carl Witter, No. 43  
 Clara Wood Marlor, No. 43  
 Josephine Price Aborn, No. 46  
 Mary K. Holton, No. 46  
 N. Collins Smith, No. 86  
 Annie L. Page, No. 112  
 Lucy M. Hopkins, No. 113,  
 \*60 yr.  
 Susan W. Copeland, No. 121  
 Fannie M. Peck, No. 124  
 Fred A. Skinner, No. 124  
 Olice A. Pease, No. 133  
 John L. Wike, No. 135  
 Mary A. Monahan, No. 135  
 Bessie Prindle Drake, No. 135  
 Lottie A. Clark, No. 142  
 Clarence Shipman, No. 146  
 Charles W. Wakeman, No. 146  
 Ray L. Harding, No. 147  
 Willard S. Gillette, No. 149  
 Reuben W. Hawley, No. 153  
 Wilbur R. Smith, No. 158  
 Joseph S. Rowland, No. 165  
 Lena M. F. Thomas Sipperley,  
 No. 165  
 Raymond W. Hine, No. 23

## HARVY GODARD

Harvy Godard was born on March 15, 1823, in Granby, Connecticut, to Oren Godard and Minerva (Holcomb) Godard.

On May 1, 1858 he married Sabra Lavinia Beach of Granby, Connecticut who was the daughter of Oliver Beach and Lavinia (Case) Beach.

The following children were born to them: Oren Harvy, Porter Beach, George Seymour, Fred Munyon, Oliver Clifton and Grace Minerva Godard.

He was very active in his home town and was held with high esteem by his fellow townsmen. He represented his Town in the General Assembly in 1873.

By occupation he was a farmer, owning and operating extensive lands which he inherited from his father. This included the operation of grist, lumber and cider mills as well as the distillation of pure cider brandy which he manufactured in the same mill as did his father before him. Although a member of no church, he was liberal in his views and saw good in all. He was a staunch Jeffersonian Democrat. He was a Royal Arch Mason.

His wife, Sabra Beach Godard served as National Grange Pomona for 1875, 1876, 1877 and 1878. She was also Ceres of the first Connecticut State Grange during its brief life. He was the first Master of the first State Grange serving for 1875, 1876, 1877, resigning that office early in 1878.

He was the first Charter Master of the first Granby Grange No. 5. Although this Grange collapsed in its early years he was one of the sponsors of its second reorganization serving again as its Charter Master.

He passed away on January 8, 1986 and was buried in the family plot in Granby.

## SHERMAN KIMBERLY

Sherman Kimberly was born in Goshen, Connecticut on May 8, 1831. He was the son of Henry Kimberly and Sylvia (Curtis) Kimberly.

He received his education in the local schools of Goshen and attended pre-medical school, planning to become a doctor. He was not able to finish his medical education and returned home where he taught a number of winters in the local schools. He remained the rest of his life upon the place where he was born and farmed, the "Manor," as his home farm was known, with the assistance of his two sons.

On April 25, 1856, he married Lorette E. Pendleton at Goshen, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Abel Hinckley Pendleton and Zeruah (Egleston Pendleton).

To them were born the following children: Nellie, Ellora, Kerrill and Karmi Kimberly.

The family attended the Congregational Church in West Torrington.

He was a Democrat of the Jeffersonian school but was very independent in his political thinking, not being tied down by the trammels of party lines and never availed himself for public office. He maintained "the Divine right of bolting," when conscience dictated.

When Hope Grange No. 20 was organized his name appeared upon the Charter list and he served that Grange a long and faithful lifetime, several times filling the office of Master and was its Secretary for many years.

He had the honor of dedicating the first Grange Hall in Connecticut which was Lebanon Grange Hall.

The first State Past Masters recognition was awarded him in the presentation of a Past Master's Jewel or Badge which was given him at a State Session shortly after he went out of office as Master. This is now a cherished possession of his grandson, Serman Kimberly Ives.

Brother Kimberly was the only Connecticut Patron to hold the position of National Grange Deputy. At various times during the early Grange History he was appointed both General Deputy as well as Special Deputy under the State Masters that succeeded him. Upon the resignation of the Master of the first Connecticut State Grange, Brother Harvey Godard of Granby early in 1878, he was elected as Master and thus became the last State Master of the First State Grange. During the years between the first and second State Grange he never failed to keep the vision of a strong and vigorous Grange within the State. To gain this end he travelled all over the State giving lectures on the

virtues of the Grange and the need for farmer cooperation by belonging to such an organization. Many times, he drained the family purse in his efforts to again start enough units in order that Connecticut might hold her place in the National Grange Assembly. After a seemingly herculean task he succeeded in organizing enough Subordinate Granges so that on June 24, 1885 in the small Academy Hall in the village of South Glastonbury, this dream became a reality and the present State Grange grew from the united efforts of this man and the interested Patrons until today, it is one of the most powerful organizations of its kind within the State. He was elected the first State Master of this second State Grange after considerable balloting and discussion. He served until December of that year when the first Annual Session of the State Grange was held.

He personally organized the following Subordinate Granges: Lebanon Grange No. 21; Advance Grange No. 22; Cheshire Grange No. 23; Berlin Grange No. 24; Union Grange No. 25; Glastonbury Grange No. 26; Suffield Grange No. 27; Meriden Grange



No. 29; Wapping Grange No. 30; Manchester Grange No. 31; North Cornwall Grange No. 32; Wallingford Grange No. 33, and Cawasa Grange No. 34. He later organized Harwinton Grange No. 45 under State Master Leonard Healey.

In 1904, he was called to lay down his implements upon earth and passed to that Great Grange Above, mourned by all who knew and loved him. He was laid to rest in the family plot in the Center Cemetery at Goshen, Connecticut. His wife, Sister Lorette Kimberly, was his ever able and loyal Grange helpmate. She served as State Grange Ceres during two different terms.

In 1905, Hope Grange No. 20, passed the following resolution in loving memory of Father Kimberly (as he was known, pretty much throughout the state): "Resolved, That not only was he the first Master of the Grange in Connecticut, but he also organized the State Grange, under the reorganization of the Order in the State, was its first Master, and organized more Granges during the first decade than any other Patron."

## JOHN HOWARD HALE

John Howard Hale was born on November 2, 1853 in Glastonbury, Connecticut. He was the son of John A. Hale and Henrietta (Moseley) Hale.

He received his education in the local schools which he was forced to give up at the age of fourteen due to the death of his father. It could be truly said that he was a self made man, for in later life he was a proficient lecturer and writer of no little note. He had an acquiring mind and readily absorbed everything he saw and read and was considered one of the most able men of his times. He was particularly successful as a fruit farmer. His peach orchards being known throughout the world. He propagated many new varieties of peaches, the famous "Hale Peach" being of superior quality and marketability for shipping was perhaps the best known even to this day. He was always interested in fruits of every kind and what climates were the best adapted for their growth. His wife while serving as State Pomona carried on an interesting correspondence with the Subordinate and Pomona Pomonas sending them several kinds of fruit trees and berries and encouraged the raising of more such products upon each farm plot.

On January 31, 1877, he married Addie Stancliff of Brooklyn, New York. She was the daughter of Harry Stancliff.

The following children were born to them: Stancliffe, Moseley, Emily, Marian, and Laura Hale.

He was a Protestant and a staunch Republican.

Brother Hale was a Charter Member of Glastonbury Grange and held the position of Charter Steward. He held numerous other Subordinate Offices from time to time. He was the second Master of the present State Grange and served in that office during 1885, 1886, 1887, 1888, and 1889. He was also a regular Deputy and General Deputy at various times. He served as a member of the Executive Committee for 1885, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900, 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, and 1908. During 1887, 1888 and 1889 he served as Assistant Steward of the National Grange and was Priest Herald of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange in 1889. Sister Hale served as Priestess Flora during 1889 of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange.

He personally organized the following Granges: Central Pomona Grange No. 1; Quinebaug Pomona Grange No. 2; and Mountain County Pomona Grange No. 4; East Hartford Grange No. 37; New Canaan Grange No. 38; Burritt Grange No. 39; Brooklyn Grange No. 43; Newington Grange No. 44; Bolton Grange No. 47; Whigville Grange No. 48; Farmington Grange No. 49; Westfield Grange No. 50; Tolland Grange No. 51; Vernon Grange No. 52; Poquonock Grange No. 53; Plainville Grange No. 54; East Haddam Grange No. 56; West Hartford Grange No. 58; Mansfield Grange No. 64; Indian River Grange No. 73; Coventry Grange No. 75; Andover Grange No. 76 and Clinton Grange No. 77. The following Granges were organized under his administration but not personally by him: East Central Pomona Grange No. 3; New Haven County Pomona Grange No. 5 and New London County Pomona Grange No. 6; also: the second organization of Stafford Grange No. 55; the second organization of Colebrook Grange No. 82; North Haven Grange No. 35; Little River Grange No. 36; Senexet Grange No. 40; Konomoc Grange No. 41; Mattabessett Grange No. 42; Harwinton Grange No. 45; Ellington Grange No. 46; Durham Grange No. 57; Saybrook Grange No. 59; Crystal Lake Grange No. 60; Wolf Den Grange No. 61; Eureka Grange No. 62; Middlefield Grange No. 63; Quinnatisset Grange No. 65; Killingworth Grange No. 66; Cromwell Grange No. 67; Natchaug Grange No. 68; Shetucket Grange No. 69; Canterbury Grange No. 70; Mad River Grange No. 71; Plymouth Grange No. 72; Winchester Grange No. 74; Colchester Grange No. 78; Housatonic Grange No. 80; Guilford Grange No. 81; Colebrook Grange No. 82; Totoket Grange No. 83; Foxon Grange No. 84; Wangumbaug Grange No. 85; Webutuck Grange No. 86; Hillstown Grange No. 87; Still

River Grange No. 88; Ekonk Grange No. 89; Ashford Grange No. 90; Seymour Grange No. 91; Harmony Grange No. 92; Border Grange No. 93; East Windsor Grange No. 94; Percival Grange No. 95; Jewett City Grange No. 96; Putnam Grange No. 97; Barkhamsted Grange No. 98; Hamden Grange No. 99; Taghannuck Grange No. 100; Mashapaug Lake Grange No. 101; Oxford Grange No. 102; Beacon Valley Grange No. 103; North Guilford Grange No. 104; Somers Grange No. 105; East Haven Grange No. 106; Litchfield Grange No. 107; Woodbridge Grange No. 108; East Hampton Grange No. 109; Preston City Grange No. 110 and Hebron Grange No. 111.

Brother Hale's youth, strong executive ability, his broad acquaintances, and his well versed knowledge of the agricultural needs of the State, the ripeness of the hour and his firm and enthusiastic faith in the principles of the purposes and aims of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry combined, resulted in this phenomenal Grange growth. Although this growth was rapid it was mostly successfully hardy.

In later life Brother Hale travelled extensively. One Patron from Glastonbury Grange told me that, "Brother Hale told him that he had travelled in every county in every State within the Nation."

His worldly labors came to an end October 12th, 1917, having served the Grange long and faithfully, he passed to his award Above and was buried in the old Church Cemetery at South Glastonbury, Connecticut.



## DOCTOR GEORGE AUSTIN BOWEN

George Austin Bowen was born in Woodstock, Connecticut, on July 7, 1841. He was the son of Edward Eaton Bowen and Sophronia Tennate (Atwell) Bowen.

At the age of ten years he moved to Brooklyn, New York and remained there until after his marriage. He received the usual grammar and high school education and attended college and medical school. He received his M.D. degree from the University of New York and became a well known surgeon and physician.

On May 28, 1868, he married Catherine Electa Berrian in Brooklyn, New York. She was the daughter of Samuel Underhill Berrian and Eliza Anne (Parsons) Berrian.

He was a Republican in his politics and a Congregationalist in his faith. The following taken from "The History of Woodstock Genealogies of Woodstock Families" by Clarence Bowen, sums up the life and activities of this busy man: "Practised medicine in Brooklyn till 1873 when owing to ill health he returned to Woodstock; was an organizer of the Woodstock Farmers' Club of which he was Secretary for the twelve years of the Club's existence. When the Club was reorganized as the Senexet Grange, Dr. Bowen became Master; was like his grandfather and great-grandfather Bowen, a member of the Masonic Lodge in Woodstock and at the time of his death was Marshal of the Lodge. He was President of the Woodstock Agricultural Society, Director of the Woodstock Creamery Corporation; President of the Connecticut Dairymen's Association; the candidate of the Republican party for Lieutenant Governor of Connecticut; Surgeon General in 1895 on Governor O. Vincent Coffin's staff; delegate in 1902 to the State Constitutional Convention, member in 1903 of the General Assembly and Chairman of the Committee on Humane Institutions. On his farm where he was born and where his father, grandfather and great-grandfather had lived, were two Arabian mares and a stallion named Ben Lincoln after Dr. Bowen's Civil War friend, George Banister Lincoln, Adjutant 6th N. Y. Regiment. A small flock of Southdown Sheep was also on the farm. Dr. Bowen planted an oak called "The Constitution Oak" given by the Department of Agriculture to every member of the Constitutional Convention. Near it on the farm was raised another tree, a granddaughter of the Charter Oak. From an acorn Dr. Bowen brought from Washington's Tomb and an acorn he picked up near the Charter Oak he raised still other oaks. Dr. Bowen's funeral was conducted by the Putnam Lodge, A.F. & A.M. of Woodstock."

As the previous article states he was the Charter Master of Senexet Grange. He was a Deputy of the State Grange during 1887; Lecturer of the State Grange during 1888 and 1889 "being one of the best" as stated in after years by one that knew him; he served as the third Master of the present State Grange during the years of 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893 and 1894. He brought much honor to this State by holding one of the highest offices in the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange, that of being High Priest of Demeter. This office he held during 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901, thus having the privilege of conferring the seventh degree many times upon many candidates.

He first became identified with the institution in the organization of Senexet Grange in 1887. From that time on he gave soul, energy and service to the movement in organizing Pomona and Subordinate Granges, in initiating and shaping legislation and leading the Order into paths of largest usefulness. The following Granges he was personally responsible for their organizations: Crystal Lake Grange No. 60; Wolf Den Grange No. 61; Natchaug Grange No. 62; Shetucket Grange No. 69; Canterbury Grange No. 70; Ekonk Grange No. 89; Ashford Grange No. 90; and Bristol Grange No. 116. The following Granges were organized by others under his administration: Granby Grange No. 2, the second organization; Washington Grange No. 11, the second organization; East Granby Grange No. 12, the second organization; Killingly Grange No. 112; Highland Grange No. 113; Wethersfield Grange No. 114; Rocky Hill Grange No. 115; Unity Grange No. 117; Beacon Grange No. 118; Morris Grange No. 119; Madison

Grange No. 120; Bethlehem Grange No. 121; Watertown Grange No. 122; Westbrook Grange No. 123; Higganum Grange No. 124; Hollenbeck Grange No. 125; Pleasant Valley Grange No. 126; Goodwill Grange No. 127; Orange Grange No. 128; Pohtatuck Grange No. 129; Farmill River Grange No. 130; Columbia Grange No. 130; Wichita Grange No. 132; Greenfield Hill Grange No. 133; Trumbull Grange No. 134; Silver Lake Grange No. 135; East Canaan Grange No. 136; Willington Grange No. 137; North Stonington Grange No. 138; Middlebury Grange No. 139; Plainfield Grange No. 140; Brookfield Grange No. 141; Rock Rimmon Grange No. 142; Goshen Grange No. 143; Prospect Grange No. 144; Rippowan Grange No. 145; and Norfield Grange No. 146; also Excelsior Pomona Grange No. 7; Sea View Pomona Grange No. 8 and Fairfield County Pomona Grange No. 9.

He was the first President of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Company and served in that office long and well, being in that office at the time of his death. Besides being a professional man of much reknown, he ran a model farm in Woodstock and various businesses which he inherited from his father, who had received them from his father before him, (having been in the family for a number of generations.)

He died on October 30, 1910, having lived a full life devoted to the service of others. His mantle was taken up and carried on by others who had the same selfless service in their blood. He was laid to rest in Woodstock Hill Cemetery.

## STEPHEN O. BOWEN

Stephen O. Bowen was born on April 8, 1840 in Eastford, Connecticut. He was the son of Oliver Bowen and Betsey Horton Bowen.

"Besides the education of the common school of his town, Mr. Bowen was a pupil at a select and also the State Normal School."

In 1864, he married Miss Abbie Lea Spencer.

To them were born four children, which were as follows: O. Earle; George S.; A. Etta; and Jesse S. Bowen.

Between 1860 and 1870 he taught school, after which he carried on a general merchandise business, dealing much in live stock, to which was added farming. He represented his native Town in the General Assembly of 1876, and was chosen by his fellow citizens as Judge of the Probate Court for several terms, likewise assessor, town clerk, Town Treasurer and a member of the School Board for over thirty-five years. He was a Trustee of the Connecticut Agricultural Society, a director of the Girl's Industrial School at Middletown and president of the Woodstock Agricultural Society. He was the first Master of his own Grange, the second Master of Quinebaug Pomona Grange No. 2. He was one of the few members of our State Grange Executive Committee who became Master after having served upon the Executive Committee, the years of service upon that Committee being as follows: 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895. He was the fourth Master of the present State Grange during 1896, 1897, 1898 and 1899. He was Priest Herald of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1888 and 1889 and was Chaplain of the National Grange during 1897, 1898, 1899, 1900 and 1901.

He personally organized Woodstock Grange No. 150 and the following Granges were organized during his administration: Lyme Grange No. 147; Westport Grange No. 148; Easton Grange No. 149; Enfield Grange No. 151 and Cannon Grange No. 152. In Grange work, he had been equally earnest and efficient. Although coming to the Order as Master after the first flush of enthusiasm and impulse had passed away, he proved a bulwork against the growing tide of indifference and inactivity.

During his administration partly due to his idea and partly due to the recommendation of others the Deputy system was more or less discontinued or discouraged. Some think it proved an asset, others did not agree with the lack of inspection which followed the breaking down of the Deputy system. The results are interesting to those who compare a period of growth against that of another.

He passed away on September 21, 1908 in Pasadena, California.



## BURTON C. PATTERSON

Burton C. Patterson was born on September 10, 1839 in Cornwall, Connecticut. He was the son of Sherman Patterson and Polly (Gilbert) Patterson.

In 1872, he was married to Hattie M. Beach in Goshen, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Amzi Beach. She died shortly after the birth of a son, Silas B. Patterson.

Later he married Anna M. Merwin of New Milford. She was the daughter of Samuel Merwin.

They had two sons, Burton M. and Edson B. Patterson.

He owned a 270 acre farm in Torrington which he operated at the same time as he acted as Purchasing Agent for the Connecticut State Grange. The duties of Purchasing Agent were very arduous as he handled a great number of car loads of feed and seed for the Patrons of Connecticut, buying and selling to them on a cooperative basis. He represented his Town in the General Assembly, served as assessor of the Town for many years and was its First Selectman at one time. He was a Republican and a member of Center Congregational Church of Torrington.

He was a member of Hope Grange No. 20. Hope Grange has the distinction of having furnished two Masters of the Connecticut State Grange, I believe the only Grange in the State to have that record so far. He served as Secretary of this Grange and although asked upon several occasions to become its Master, declined to do so. He served Mountain County Pomona Grange as a member of its Executive Committee for a number of years. He was a member of the Connecticut State Grange Executive Committee for 1886, 1887, 1888, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1897, 1898 and 1899. He was the 5th State Master of the present State Grange and served during 1900, 1901, 1902, and 1903. He was Priest Mystagogue of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1901, 1902, and 1907 and 1908. He was Priest Guardian of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1903, 1904, and 1905; Gatekeeper of the National Grange during 1903, 1904, and 1905 and a Member of the Connecticut State Grange Legislative Committee during 1918 and 1919.

During his administration he had the honor of having the first Juvenile Grange ever to be organized within the State started. It was Banner Juvenile Grange No. 1. Although he did not actually organize any Granges himself, the following were organized during his administration: Konomoc Grange No. 41, the second organization; Rocky Hill Grange No. 155, the second organization; Bridgewater Grange No. 153; Kent Grange No. 154; New Fairfield Grange No. 155; Danbury Grange No. 156; East Lyme Grange No. 157; Chester Grange No. 158; Salisbury Grange No. 159 and Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange No. 10.

He was an extremely busy man, but always seemed to find time for one more duty as his many offices will attest. In 1929 he was called to the Great Grange Above and was buried in Hillside Cemetery, Torrington, Connecticut.

## ORSON SUMNER WOOD

Orson Sumner Wood was born on November 15, 1839 in Mansfield, Connecticut. He was the son of Eleazer Lawrence Wood and Sophronia Ann (Balch) Wood.

He received his education in the regular local schools in Norwich and graduated from Yale University in 1864.

He was a farmer and educator. A Republican in his politics and a Congregationalist in his faith.

On March 15, 1870 he married Mary Ellen Miller in Ellington, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Franklin E. Miller and Jane (Collins) Miller.

To them were born the following children: Robert E.; Frank O.; Anna; and Jennie L. Wood.

He represented the Town of East Windsor in the General Assembly in 1869 and again in 1872. He was Deacon of the Ellington Church 1894-1900 and 1902-1904; Superintendent of the Schools of East Windsor; a teacher; a member of the Oriental Lodge F. & A.M. of Broad Brook and Assistant principal of the Ellington High School.

His Grange record of service is as follows: Charter Lecturer of Ellington Grange and its Master; Lecturer and Master of East Central Pomona Grange; Deputy for Tolland County in the State Grange during 1888 and 1889; General Deputy of the State Grange during 1910 and 1911; Overseer of the State Grange during 1890, 1891, 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895 and 1896; and sixth Master of the present State Grange during 1904, 1905, 1906 and 1907; Chaplain of the National Grange during 1907, 1908 and 1909.

His wife was his ever faithful helpmate in all his enterprises whether local, state or National.

It was during his administration that a number of the first set of Juvenile Granges were organized which are as follows: Hopeful Juvenile Grange No. 2; North Cornwall Juvenile Grange No. 3; Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 4; Brooklyn Juvenile Grange No. 5; Bolton Juvenile Grange No. 6 and Wangumbaug Juvenile Grange No. 7.

He personally organized the following Subordinate Granges: East Windsor Grange No. 94; Mashapaug Lake Grange No. 101 and Somers Grange No. 105. The following Subordinate Granges were organized by others under his administration: Redding Grange No. 163, the second organization; Durham Grange No. 57, the second organization; Natchaug Grange No. 68, the second organization; Totoket Grange No. 83, the second organization; Wangumbaug Grange No. 85, the second organization; Ashford Grange No. 90, the second organization; Seymour Grange No. 91, the second organization; Pachuag Grange No. 96, the second organization; Putnam Grange No. 97, the second organization; Preston City Grange No. 110, the second organization; Hebron Grange No. 111, the second organization; Aspetuck Valley Grange No. 160; Bozrah Grange No. 161; Old Lyme Grange No. 162; Bethel Grange No. 164; Ridgefield Grange No. 165; Salem Grange No. 166; Ledyard Grange No. 167; Stonington Grange No. 168 and Riverton Grange No. 169.

In his obituary notice, we found the following: "A Man of Force and Character. He was a man of superior judgment and of deep convictions. His counsels in the affairs of the State Grange were timely and good. Conservative by nature he was slow to adopt any measures until thoroughly satisfied that it would be for the best interests of all. He was affable in manner and courteous with all. He was a model presiding officer and under his skillful hand the routine and special business of the State Grange session were conducted with dispatch."

On November 5, 1911, he passed away and was buried in the family plot in Ellington.

## LEONARD HOLMES HEALEY

Leonard Holmes Healey was born on October 9, 1864 in Des Moines, Iowa. His parents were John and Mary Healey.

He received his education in the regular school and at the Academy in Woodstock.

On June 13, 1889, he married Carrie Blackmar of Woodstock, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Erastus Blackmar and Sarah Bigelow Blackmar.

To them the following children were born: Maude, John, Leonard, Ewart, Merrill, Beatrice and Sarah Healey.

Brother Healey taught in the local schools for many years, as well as owned and managed his farm in North Woodstock, later adding a busy insurance business to his life. He lead a busy public life, serving as Tax Collector in Woodstock for many terms, was the Moderator of every Town Meeting for many years, served as County Sheriff, became Secretary of Agriculture of the State of Connecticut and when this position was changed to Commissioner of Agriculture served as Deputy Commissioner of that Department over a great period of years.

By politics he was a Republican and by faith a Congregationalist. He was a member of the Masonic Fraternity and President of the Patrons Fire Insurance Company up to the time of his death. He was always interested in Agriculture and was a director of the Windham County Fair Ass'n. and was its Secretary for fifteen years.

Besides serving as Master of his Subordinate Grange he was very active in Quinebaug Pomona offices; he served as Deputy of Quinebaug Pomona during 1902 and 1903; Lecturer of the State Grange during 1904, 1905, 1906 and 1907; he was the seventh Master of the present State Grange and served in that position during 1908, 1909, 1910 and 1911; as a member of the State Grange Executive Committee for 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925; he was Priest Conductor in the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1908, 1909, 1910, 1911, 1912 and 1913; Assistant Steward of the National Grange during 1909, 1910 and 1911, and Overseer of the National Grange during 1911, 1912 and 1913.

The following Juvenile Granges were organized during his administration: North Stonington; Lyme Juvenile Grange No. 8; Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 9 and Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 10, all under the first set of Juveniles which were organized at that time.

He personally organized Echo Grange No. 180 and the following Subordinate Granges were organized by others during his administration: Harwinton Grange No. 45, the second organization; Farmington Grange No. 49, the second organization; Pachaug Grange No. 96, the third organization; Willington Grange No. 137, the second organization; North Stonington Grange No. 138, the second organization; Westport Grange No. 148, the second organization; Wemenesa Grange No. 170; Mystic Grange No. 171; Norwich Grange No. 172; Wolcott Grange No. 173; Tarringford Grange No. 174; Lake Valley Grange No. 175; Groton Grange No. 176; Haddam Neck Grange No. 177; Montville Grange No. 178; Avon Grange No. 179; and Meadow Brook Grange No. 181.

He was a brilliant man and added much to the prestige of the State Grange. His wife, Sister Carrie Healey was of the homemaker type but was a willing and ever helpful wife. She was a teacher in the local schools for a number of years, one of the first Sisters in the State to hold the position of Master of her Subordinate Grange, which she ably filled.

On August 1, 1936, this busy, well spent life came to an end and he was buried in Woodstock Hill Cemetery. The large group of Grangers that attended this funeral were mute testimony of the high regard and esteem which his fellow members felt for him.



## BURDETTE A. PECK

Burdette A. Peck was born on August 12, 1853 in Burlington, Connecticut. He was the son of Don E. and Mary (Yale) Peck.

He received his education in the common schools of his native town, and this was so far supplemented by the fruit of naturally studious habits that he is in the best sense of the term, a self-made man of many accomplishments.

Miss Elizabeth Terry of Bristol, Connecticut became his bride in 1875.

To them a son was born, named Constant Peck.

During his life while in Burlington, he had many offices of trust in the Town government, such as: School Visitor; Justice of Peace; Chairman of the Town Committee; Registrar of Voters as well as administrator and conservator. He was known as Judge Peck. After moving to Bristol he was Secretary of the Bristol Fair Corporation and assistant judge of the borough police court. A native capacity fitted him admirably for this latter position and found him much employed in the judicial line.

He was always interested in agriculture and although not actively engaged at all times in agricultural pursuits, he operated a florist business, wood-turning business and other allied lines.

His Grange history started in Whigville Grange No. 48, of which he was a Charter Member and Charter Secretary. After moving to Bristol he was more or less instrumental in the organization of that Grange although not a charter member of it. He was active in Central Pomona Grange and held various offices. He was Central Pomona Grange Deputy during 1902 and 1903; General Deputy of the State Grange during 1908, and 1909; Overseer of the State Grange during 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, and 1909. He was the 8th Master of the present State Grange during 1912. He died on June 19, 1912 enroute to a Pomona Meeting. He was stricken with a heart attack while on a train approaching Waterbury. When they arrived at the Waterbury Station he was pronounced dead. He was buried in Bristol, Connecticut.

His untimely death no doubt cut him off from a brilliant career in Grange work because he was a very able worker and with his ability no doubt would have brought honor and renown to Connecticut.

## JAMES ARTHUR SHERWOOD

James Arthur Sherwood was born on May 8, 1867 in Easton, Connecticut. He was the son of Botsford Sherwood and Betsy (Sanford) Sherwood.

He attended the local schools and the Academy in Easton.

In January 1888, he married Eva Whithead at Redding Ridge. She was the daughter of Henry Whitehead and Agnes (Banks) Whitehead.

To them was born a daughter, Hazel Sherwood.

He has served as Treasurer and Assessor in the Town of Easton and represented them in the General Assembly. For many years, he was Treasurer of the Connecticut Milk Producers Association. He was a member of the Masonic Order and the Eastern Star. He was a Congregationalist in his faith and in politics a Republican. He had been Vice-President of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Comuanry for a great many years and was its President at the time of his death.

His Grange work covered many activities such as: Charter Member of Easton Grange and served in many offices in that Grange including Master; Master of Fairfield County Pomona Grange during 1908 and 1909. He was Deputy for Fairfield County Pomona Grange during 1908 and 1909; Lecturer of the State Grange during 1910 and 1911; Overseer of the State Grange in 1912, in June of 1912, he went into the Master's Chair due to the death of State Master B. A. Peck; he was the 9th Master of the State Grange during 1912, 1913, 1914, and 1915; he served upon the State Grange Executive Committee during 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933; he was on the State Grange Auditing Committee during 1922, and 1923; he served on the State Grange Legislative Committee during 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939; he served on the State Grange Taxation Committee during 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, and 1939; Assistant Steward of the National Grange from Nov. 1913 to Nov. 1915; Priest Mystagogue of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1912 and 1913; Priest Conductor of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1914, 1915, 1916, and 1917.

Sister Eva Sherwood was Ceres of the National Grange during 1916 and 1917. Sister Eva Sherwood died in 1924.

His second wife was Teresa Porter.

Brother Sherwood personally organized Lake Valley Grange No. 175 and Shelton Grange No. 186. The following Granges which were organized by others under his administration were as follows: Wethersfield Juvenile Grange No. 11 of the first set of Juvenile Granges, and Hemlock Grange No. 182; Darien Grange No. 183; Franklin Grange No. 184; Pomperaug Grange No. 185; Hartland Grange No. 187; and Bethany Grange No. 188.

Brother Sherwood will be long remembered for his quiet dignity, his keen sense of humor and his fatherly wisdom. He passed away on April 24, 1944, and was buried in the Easton Cemetery. It can indeed be said that he was indeed a True Patron of Husbandry.

## CHARLES TALCOTT DAVIS

Charles T. Davis was born on January 12, 1865 in Middletown, Connecticut. He was the son of Talcott Davis.

He received his education in the local schools.

He married Grace Hubbard in Middletown, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Ebin Hubbard and Marietta (Heath) Hubbard.

To them were born the following children: Abbott H. and Harold H. Davis.

By faith he was a Congregationalist and by politics a Democrat. He was the President of the Middletown Savings Bank for a number of years; one of the incorporators of the Middlesex County Hospital in Middletown; a member of the Middletown City Planning Commission; Past President of the Middletown Exchange Club.

He filled many Grange Offices some of which are as follows: Master of Mattabessett Grange; Master of Central Pomona Grange; Deputy of Central Pomona Grange during 1908, 1909, 1910, and 1911; Overseer of the Connecticut State Grange during 1913, 1914, and 1915. He was the 10th Master of the present State Grange during 1916 and 1917; and a member of the State Grange Executive Committee during 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, and 1930.

Sister Davis was a great believer that the place for women was in the home, herself setting an excellent example as there was no pleasanter place than the spacious homestead upon the Davis Farm, enhanced by her cheerful welcome and friendly hospitality.

Brother Davis was a man of firm and steadfast character, although only in the Master's Station for a two-year term, he ably filled that position with dignity and precision.

He personally organized Hemlock Grange on December 7, 1912, under State Master J. Arthur Sherwood.

He passed away on November 5, 1939 and was laid to rest in the beautiful cemetery in Middletown not far from the farm he loved.



## FRANK E. BLAKEMAN

Frank E. Blakeman was born on December 31, 1857 in the Town of Stratford, Connecticut. He was the son of Gould Blakeman and Harriet (Birdsey) Blakeman.

He received his education in the local schools. He was a farmer and held a prominent part in Town affairs.

He married Nellie E. Beard on November 13, 1884. She was the daughter of Maria and William Beard.

A child was born to them that died in early infancy.

He served the Town of Stratford as Judge of the Town Court, upon the Board of Education and upon the Board of Assessors and represented the Town in the General Assembly. He was a staunch Republican and a member of the First Congregational Church of Stratford. He was a direct descendant of the first minister that came to Stratford when it was founded, the Rev. Adam Blakeman. He was a member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

He was very prominent in the Grange; some of the offices he held were as follows: Master of his own local Grange; Master of Fairfield County Pomona Grange; Deputy of Fairfield County Pomona Grange during 1910 and 1911; Lecturer of the State Grange during 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915; Overseer of the State Grange during 1916 and 1917; he was the 11th Master of the present State Grange and served in that office during 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921; and a member of the State Grange Executive Committee for 1922 and 1923, being in this office when he died in 1923.

Sister Nellie Blakeman was a spirited, vivacious woman. Her presence at the State Sessions up until the time of her death is well remembered by those who knew her. She served as Chairman of the National Grange Home Economics Committee during 1921 and 1922.

Brother Blakeman personally organized the following Granges: Westport Grange No. 148; Ridgefield Grange No. 165; Darien Grange No. 183 and Bethany Grange No. 188. The following Granges were organized by others but under his administration: East Lyme Grange No. 157, the second organization; Mystic Grange No. 171, the second organization; Victory Grange No. 189; Metichewan Grange No. 190 and Pokono Grange No. 191.

Brother Blakeman was called to the Great Grange Above on February 18, 1923 and was buried in the Putney Cemetery in Stratford, Connecticut.

## ALLEN B. COOK

Allen B. Cook was born on June 27, 1875 in Petersham, Massachusetts. He was the son of Sanford B. Cook and Lydia N. (Peirce) Cook.

He received his education in the local grammar and high school and the Massachusetts Agricultural College of Amherst, Massachusetts.

On July 23, 1899 he married Emma L. Shepardson of Amherst, Massachusetts who was the daughter of David M. Shepardson and Emeline (Belcher) Shepardson, at Petersham, Massachusetts.

To them were born the following children: Alice E., Ethel F., Marion E., Charlotte M. and Frederick B. Cook.

During the time he held the Mastership of the Connecticut State Grange he was working for the State of Connecticut as Superintendent of the Farm for Women at Niantic, Connecticut. Later he was employed in the Connecticut Park Commission as Supervisor of the Town Tree Wardens. He owned a large farm in West Hartford and has always had Agriculture and Agricultural pursuits as his chief interests. At the present time he is retired and lives at 518 Fern Street, in West Hartford with his wife.

He is a Unitarian by faith and has always been most liberal in his religious thinking.

He is a member of the Masonic Order and belongs to Unionville, Evening Star Lodge No. 101. He is a registered Republican.

He has lead a long and active life in Grange work and has the honor of being a member for over fifty years. Due to his work, he has been a member of various Granges, starting his first Grange History in Petersham, Massachusetts. He is now a member of West Hartford Grange No. 58 where he has held several offices besides that of Master. He served for two years as Overseer of Central Pomona Grange, then two years as its Master. He held the position as a Member of the Executive Committee of Farmington Valley Pomona Grange after its organization. He has been Central Pomona Deputy for the years of 1910, 1911 and 1912. He was General Deputy during 1913, 1914, and 1915; Lecturer of the State Grange during 1916 and 1917; Overseer of the State Grange for 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921; he served as the 12th Master of the present State Grange during 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925; Executive Member of the State Grange for 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930 and 1931; Assistant Steward of the National Grange during 1923, 1924, 1925, 1926 and 1927 and was Priest Guardian of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange for 1922, and 1923. He has been a member of the Student Loan Committee since 1936, serving the most of that time as its Chairman.

He was always very active in Grange work and whenever he moved into a community where there was no Grange he proceeded to either organize or help get one started there. He personally organized the following Granges: East Lyme Grange No. 157 as its second organization; Salem Grange No. 166 as its second organization and Avon Grange No. 179. The following Granges were organized during his administration but by someone else: Cannon Grange No. 52 as its second organization; Mystic Grange No. 171 as its third organization and Millville Grange No. 192.

He has been an ardent supporter of all Youth Movements and especially known for his services of helping to place loans for those who wished to further their education. Sister Cook's gentle disposition has endeared her to all.

## MINOR IVES

Minor Ives was born on August 24, 1883, in South Meriden, Connecticut, the son of Julius I. Ives and Mary (Johnson) Ives.

He received his education in the local schools and Pequod Business College.

He married Ethel May Disbrow of Meriden, Connecticut on November 30, 1905. She was the daughter of Frank A. Disbrow and Amelia (Bolles) Disbrow.

To them were born the following children: Edith Lucretia, Julius Disbrow, Ruth Ethel, Minor Edward, Frank Almon, and Annah Amelia Ives.

He served as Treasurer of the Connecticut State Pomological Society for a number of years and for over thirty years has been a member of the Board of Apportionment and Taxation in the City of Meriden, Connecticut; Trustee of Cuno Foundation of Meriden; past Director of Meriden Savings Bank; past Director Easter States Farmer's Exchange. All his life he has lived upon and farmed that beautiful place on the hilltop overlooking the City of Meriden, known as "Diamond Hill Farm." He has served as a Trustee of the New England Grange Building ever since its inception, having the responsible position of custodian. He has served as Treasurer of this Building ever since the resignation of Sherman K. Ives as Trustee member. He is Independent in his political views and supports and attends the Methodist Church in South Meriden.

Sister Ethel Ives is a real homebody. Her family interests have always been her most outstanding quality. However as the wife of State Master Ives she always fulfilled the duties required of the State Master's wife graciously and efficiently.

Brother Ives has been a long and faithful worker in the cause of the Grange and has passed the fifty year mark of membership. He has filled many Subordinate, Pomona and State and National Offices some of which are as follows: Master of Meriden Grange; Master of Central Pomona Grange; Assistant Steward of the Connecticut State Grange for 1916 and 1917, Steward for 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921, Overseer for 1922, 1923, 1924, and 1925, and was the 13th Master of the present Connecticut State Grange for 1926, 1927, 1928, and 1929, an Executive Committee Member for 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1940, and 1941, many years serving as its Chairman; and as Priest Orator in the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange for 1929.

Farmill River Juvenile Grange No. 2 was personally organized by Brother Ives, and the following Subordinate and Juvenile Granges were organized during his administration as State Master: Granby Grange No. 5 organized for the third time; Eureka Grange No. 62 organized for the second time; Oxford Grange No. 194; Lisbon Grange No. 195; Windsor Grange No. 196 organized for the second time; Ridgefield Juvenile Grange No. 1; Norfield Juvenile Grange No. 3; Pachaug Juvenile Grange No. 4; Beacon Valley Juvenile Grange No. 5; Bethany Juvenile Grange No. 6; Canterbury Juvenile Grange No. 7; and Trumbull Juvenile Grange No. 8.

Brother Ives is outstanding in his sincerity of purpose and he has ably filled the many stations he has been called upon to serve in.



## LOUIS G. TOLLES

Louis G. Tolles was born on May 6, 1885 in the Town of Southington, Connecticut. He was the son of Charles Henry Tolles and Sarah Elizabeth (Andrews) Tolles.

He received his education in the local grammar schools, high school and Business College.

He married Harriet J. Hoadley on November 17, 1906. She was the daughter of Benzil Berwill Hoadley and Anna (Mockley) Hoadley of Southington, Connecticut.

To them were born the following children: Marshall; Ruth; Ethel; Louis G. (Jr.); and Berwill Granis Tolles.

He has been very active in Town and Community affairs, such as President of the Highway Users Conference since its inception; a member of the Advisory Council of Governor Cross; he was the first Vice-President of the first County Farm Bureau to be organized in Connecticut (Hartford County); founded the Rural Roads Improvement Association and served as its President since 1930; served as Selectman of his Town; and represented the Town of Southington in the General Assembly.

He has held many Grange offices such as: Master of his local Grange; Master of Central Pomona Grange; Deputy of Central Pomona Grange during 1912, 1913, 1914 and 1915; Assistant Steward of the State Grange during 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921; Steward of the State Grange during 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925; Overseer of the State Grange during 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929; and the 14th Master of the present State Grange, during 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933; a Member of the State Grange Executive Committee during 1934, 1935, 1936, 1937, 1938 and 1939; a Member of the State Grange Legislative Committee during 1944, 1945 and 1946 and Priest Herald of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1931, 1932, 1933 and 1934. Sister Tolles has held many offices, Master of Union Grange being one of them. She will be long remembered for her sweet disposition and winning smile. Brother Tolles has a wonderful gift in being able to whistle in such a manner as to produce chord music and needless to say he was much in demand as a popular entertainer. One of the outstanding and probably the greatest event of importance during Brother Tolles administration was the "Get Connecticut Out Of The Mud" movement which he started and succeeded in getting it put through the Legislature. (This account will be found elsewhere in the book). He was a member of the Masonic Order, the Eastern Star, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Knights of Pythias and the Past Masters Association of East Central Pomona Grange. His name has been listed in "Who's Who!" in New England. By faith he is a Congregationalist; and by politics a Republican. He is a director of the National Grange Mutual Liability Company of Keene, New Hampshire.

The following Pomona Subordinate and Juvenile Granges were organized by others during his administration: Westbrook Grange No. 123, the second organization; Simsbury Grange No. 197; Old Saybrook Grange No. 198; West Suffield Grange No. 199; Branford Grange No. 200 and Farmington Valley Pomona Grange No. 11. Pomperaug Juvenile Grange No. 9; Andover Juvenile Grange No. 10; Middlefield Juvenile Grange No. 11; Clinton Juvenile Grange No. 12; Natchaug Juvenile Grange No. 13 and Farmington Juvenile Grange No. 14.

**FRANK H. PEET**

Frank H. Peet was born on November 30, 1892 in Kent, Connecticut. He was the son of Frank S. Peet and Annie (Hall) Peet.

He received his education in the local grammar schools, High School and Connecticut Agricultural College.

On September 25, 1915, he married Clara Boyd Tuttle. She was the daughter of Doctor Albert L. Tuttle and Lana W. Sloat Tuttle.

To them were born the following children: Phillips and Horace Peet.

He is a Republican in his politics and a member of the Kent Congregational Church. He has held the following Town offices: Selectman; a Member of the Board of Relief (now known as the Board of Tax Review); Constable; Represented his Town in the General Assembly in 1939 and served as Senator of his District for two separate terms; was Commissioner of Agriculture during 1945, and 1946 and as Deputy Commissioner of Farms and Markets during 1947 to 1953 and is now Deputy Commissioner of Agriculture at this writing; Past President of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Glastonbury, Connecticut. While in the Senate of the State of Connecticut he served as President Pro Tempore. He is a member of St. Luke's Lodge No. 48 of the Masonic Order and a Member of the Eastern Star.

He has held many Grange Offices, some of which are as follows: Master of Kent Grange; Master of Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange; Deputy of Housatonic Valley Pomona Grange during 1916, 1917, 1918, 1919, 1920 and 1921; General Deputy of the State Grange during 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925; Steward of the State Grange during 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929; Overseer of the State Grange during 1930, 1931, 1932 and 1933; and the 15th Master of the present State Grange during 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937 and a Member of the Executive Committee of the State Grange during 1938, 1939, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943, 1944 and 1945. Sister Peet has held various offices and has always been his helpful assistant.

He personally organized the following Granges: Metichewan Grange No. 190. The following Granges were organized by others under his administration: Laurel Grange No. 201; Hannover Grange No. 202 and Pettipaug Grange No. 203; Highland Juvenile Grange No. 15; Stonington Juvenile Grange No. 16; Mystic Juvenile Grange No. 17; Wolf Den Juvenile Grange No. 18; Metichewan Juvenile Grange No. 19; Little River Juvenile Grange No. 20; Mad River Juvenile Grange No. 21; Morris Juvenile Grange No. 22; Bolton Juvenile Grange No. 23; Salisbury Juvenile Grange No. 24 and Wichita Juvenile Grange No. 25.

Brother Peet is a Director of the National Grange Fire Insurance Company of Keene, New Hampshire.

Brother Frank Peet has brought much honor to the Connecticut State Grange through the positions he has held in the State Government. He has always had Agriculture as his first interest and has served long and well in this field.

## EDGAR LEROY TUCKER

Edgar LeRoy Tucker was born on March 3, 1885, in Lebanon, Connecticut, to Edgar J. Tucker and Louise (Manning) Tucker.

He received his education in the local grammar and high schools and the University of Connecticut at Storrs, Connecticut.

On June 22, 1909, he married Cora Dimmock, of Gurleyville, in the Town of Mansfield, Connecticut. She was the daughter of George R. Dimmock and Agnes M. (Cross) Dimmock and niece of Governor Wilbur Cross.

To them was born, Leroy Dimmock Tucker.

Brother Tucker was a man of high character and always put whatever interest he had above personal gain. The many phases of Agriculture received his ardent attention and for years he was Overseer and Farm Manager of the Farms owned by the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company. He served as Secretary of the Board of Education in the township of Trumbull, and as Grand Juror and Fire Warden for that district. He was a Republican in his political belief and a member of the Congregational Church. He was an active Mason and member of the Eastern Star.

He held many Subordinate, Pomona and State Grange offices, some of which include the following: Master of Trumbull Grange; Master of Fairfield County Pomona, Fairfield County Pomona Deputy for 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929; Assistant Steward of the State Grange for 1930, 1931, 1932, and 1933; Steward of the State Grange for 1934, 1935, 1936, and 1937 and served as the 16th Master of the present Connecticut State Grange for 1938 and 1939; and upon the Executive Committee of the State Grange for 1940, 1941, 1942 and 1943 when his untimely death stopped his labors for the Grange he loved.

His wife, Cora Dimmock Tucker served as Chairman of the National Grange Home Economics Committee for 1939, 1940 and 1941.

He took a vital interest in the Rural Roads Association and the "Get Connecticut Out of the Mud" movement and was instrumental largely for its success in that area. He was a Trustee of the New England Grange Building erected upon the Eastern States Exposition Grounds at West Springfield, Massachusetts, giving it his loyal support, and served as its first Treasurer, an office, he held at the time of his death. He took part in the cornerstone laying services which were held on that famous day in September 1938 when a tropical hurricane literally laid New England low. Whenever Grange interests appeared or wherever Grange projects were carried out, Brother Tucker was to be found, for next to his love for his country and his church came the Grange.

He personally organized Norfield Juvenile Grange No. 3; and the following Juveniles were organized by others during his administration: Natchaug Juvenile Grange No. 13, reorganization; East Hartford Juvenile Grange No. 26; Hope Juvenile Grange No. 27; Cheshire Juvenile Grange No. 28; Branford Juvenile Grange No. 29; Wallingford Juvenile Grange No. 30; Prospect Juvenile Grange No. 31; Winchester Juvenile Grange No. 32; Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 33; Tolland Juvenile Grange No. 34; Hebron Juvenile Grange No. 35 and Rock Rimmon Juvenile Grange No. 36; and the following Subordinate Granges, organized by others under his administration: Redding Grange No. 15, third organization; Whigville Grange No. 48, second organization; Hamden Grange No. 99, second organization; Somers Grange No. 105, second organization, and Falls Village Grange No. 204.

He died on April 2, 1943 and was laid to rest in the beautiful Lawn Cemetery in Huntington, Connecticut.



## SHERMAN KIMBERLY IVES

Sherman Kimberly Ives was born in Goshen, Connecticut on April 18, 1902. He was the son of Fessenden Leverett Ives and Ellora (Kimberly) Ives.

He received his education in the local Grammar Schools of Goshen, Litchfield High School and graduated from the University of Connecticut at Storrs, Connecticut.

On August 14, 1924 he was married to Lida A. Skilton at Morris, Connecticut. She was the daughter of Joel White Skilton and Ida (Camp) Skilton.

To them the following children were born: Alden Allen; Virginia May; Bradford Sherman; Carolyn Eloise and Esther Isabelle Ives.

He served as Town Treasurer in the Town of Morris and was sent to the General Assembly representing his Town for 1952-53. He was a farmer during his early married life and operated the family two hundred acre farm in Goshen until 1930 when he moved to Morris. Since then he has been in the General Insurance Business, which he still operates. He is President of the Mutual Agents Association of Connecticut; a director of the Litchfield County Radio Corporation which owns and operates Radio Station WLCR in Torrington; he is a life member of both the Union Agricultural Society and The Goshen Fair Association as well as the Connecticut Poultry Producers and the Connecticut Dairymens Association of Connecticut; he is Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Connecticut Conference of Farm Organizations; Director of his local bank, The First National Bank of Litchfield; Vice-President of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Company, past Trustee of the New England Grange Building and a member of the Litchfield County Farm Bureau. He is Past Master of St. Paul's Lodge No. 11 of the Masonic Order. He is a member of the Congregational Church of Morris and serves as a member of its Trustees and a former deacon. He is a Republican.

He and his family have had a long record in Grange work. His grandfather for whom he was named was the last Master of the first State Grange and the first Master of the second State Grange. His mother was one of the first Patrons in Connecticut to achieve a Sixty-Year Membership record.

Besides many other offices he has been Master of both Litchfield and Morris Subordinate Granges, Master, Secretary, and Executive Committee Member of Mountain County Pomona Grange, Gatekeeper of the Connecticut State Grange for 1931, 1932, 1933, and 1934, Assistant Steward for 1934, 1935, 1936, and 1937, Overseer for 1938 and 1939, and he was the 17th Master of the present State Grange for 1940, 1941, 1942, and 1943; he served on the Executive Committee for 1944, 1945, 1946, 1947, 1948, and 1949, and as Chairman of the Legislative Committee for 1951, 1952, and 1953.

His wife was Chairman of the National Grange Home Economics Committee for 1942, 1943, and 1944; and is the author of this book. Sister Ives was also Master of her local Grange and Secretary of Mt. County Pomona Grange for 18 years.

Several Subordinate and Juvenile Granges were organized during his administration which are as follows : Roxbury Grange No. 7 as its second organization; Madison Grange No. 120 as its second organization; Watertown Grange No. 122 as its second organization; Marlborough Grange No. 205; Obwebetuck Grange No. 206; Connecticut River Grange No. 207; Greenwood Grange No. 208; Haystack Mountain Grange No. 209; Farmington Juvenile Grange No. 14, reorganized; Stonington Juvenile Grange No. 16, reorganized; Greenfield Hill Juvenile Grange No. 37; Mattabessett Juvenile Grange No. 38; Plainville Juvenile Grange No. 39; Mystic Juvenile Grange No. 40; Bethlehem Juvenile Grange No. 41; Victory Juvenile Grange No. 42 and Konomoc Juvenile Grange No. 43; Easton Juvenile Grange No. 44; Silver Lake Juvenile Grange No. 45; Old Lyme Juvenile Grange No. 46; Lisbon Juvenile Grange No. 47; and Haystack Mountain Juvenile Grange No. 48.

Brother Ives is a man whose love for the Grange and its ideals come before his thoughts of his own personal welfare. He always has time to greet his fellow Grangers and rejoice with them in their gladness or sympathize with them in their sorrow.

## HARRY LOGAN PAGE

Harry Logan Page was born on October 29, 1887 in Montrose, Pennsylvania. He was the son of Charles Stanley Page and Sarah Clark (Whitmarsh) Page. (Sarah Clark Whitmarsh was born in England coming to this country at an early age).

He received his education in the local Grammar and High Schools and Cornell University at Ithaca, New York.

He married Lavinia Kenyon Haynes on August 26, 1914 in Preble, New York. She was the daughter of Perry S. Haynes and Ann Florence (Carlyle) Haynes.

The following children were born to them: Harry Logan, Junior; Anna Katherine; Mildred Whitmarsh; Martha Haynes and George Whitmarsh Page.

He has served as a member of the Board of Wardens and Burgess and the Agent of the Town Deposit Fund of the Town of Guilford, Connecticut. He is Past President of the Eagle Hose Company and Past President of the Guilford Fire Department and Past President of the Guilford Fair Association and Past President of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Company of which he is at the present time a Director, and Past Noble Grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. For a number of years he was a close friend of Governor Rollin S. Woodruff and managed his farm in Guilford, a pleasant relationship that continued up until the Governor's death. He is a Republican and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. His first interest has always been of the farm and pure bred cattle. At the present time he is located on Boston Street in Guilford, Connecticut where, with his wife he carries on a General Insurance business.

Sister Page has always been very active in Grange work. She was Normal College trained and substitutes frequently as a teacher in her local town.

He has a long and worthy Grange record having held many offices in the organization such as: Master of Guilford Grange; Master of New Haven County Pomona Grange; Deputy of New Haven County Pomona Grange for 1930, 1931, 1932, 1933 and 1934; Assistant Steward of the Connecticut State Grange for 1938 and 1939; Steward for 1940, 1941, 1942 and 1943, and the 18th Master of the present Connecticut State Grange for 1944, 1945, 1946, and 1947. He was appointed Priest Annalist of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange at the death of Thomas Roy Brooks and held that office until November 1949. He was Priest Messenger of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange in 1946.

He organized one Subordinate Grange personally, which was Branford Grange No. 200, and Cherry Brook Grange No. 210 was organized by someone else under his direction. The following Juvenile Granges were organized: Branford Juvenile Grange No. 2, reorganized; Killingly Juvenile Grange No. 33, reorganized; Hebron Juvenile Grange No. 34, reorganized; Hamden Juvenile Grange No. 49; North Haven Juvenile Grange No. 50; Preston City Juvenile Grange No. 51; Falls Village Juvenile Grange No. 52; Manchester Juvenile Grange No. 53; Plymouth Juvenile Grange No. 54; Suffield Juvenile Grange No. 55; Simsbury Juvenile Grange No. 56; Laurel Juvenile Grange No. 57; Ledyard Juvenile Grange No. 58; Higganum Juvenile Grange No. 57; Harmony Juvenile Grange No. 60; and Pohtatuck Juvenile Grange No. 61.

## SIDNEY GILLETTE HALL

Sidney Gillette Hall was born on February 10, 1899 in Ledyard, Connecticut. He was the son of Joseph Kellogg Hall and Mary Gillette Hall.

He was educated in the public schools of Preston, in Wheeler School, North Stonington and graduated from Norwich Free Academy.

On November 12, 1928, he married Marion White. She was the daughter of Past Deputy E. Frank White and Mabel (Woodward) White.

He has been very active in town and community affairs, some of which are as follows: A member of the Advisory Board of the Connecticut State Department of Agriculture, put on in 1953 as a 6 year term of office; President of the Holstein-Friesian Breeders Association of the State of Connecticut; Director in the Eastern Connecticut Farm Loan Association; Trustee of the Bill Library Association; a member of the Board of Finance of the Town of Ledyard; is a member of the Preston City Congregational Church of which he is now Clerk and Deacon; Past President of the New England Officers Conference, held each year at Boston; and Past Director of the Patrons Fire Insurance Company of Glastonbury, Connecticut.

He has been Master of his local Preston City Grange; Master of New London County Pomona Grange; Deputy of New London County Pomona Grange during 1934, 1935, 1936 and 1937; Gatekeeper of the State Grange during 1938 and 1939; Assistant Steward of the State Grange during 1940, 1941, 1942 and 1943; Steward of the State Grange during 1944, 1945 and 1946; Overseer of the State Grange during 1947 and the 19th Master of the present State Grange during 1948 and 1949, and a Member of the Executive Committee during 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952 and 1953, a position he still holds at the time of this writing. Sister Hall has been a very pleasant helpmate to Brother Hall. She has held many Grange offices, being Master of her own local Grange.

Brother Hall personally organized Hanover Grange No. 202. The following Juvenile Granges were organized by others under his administration: Pachaug Juvenile Grange No. 4, reorganization; Middlefield Juvenile Grange No. 11, reorganization; Highland Juvenile Grange No. 15, reorganization; Stonington Juvenile Grange No. 16, reorganization; Konomoc Juvenile Grange No. 43, reorganization; Riverton Juvenile Grange No. 62; Whigville Juvenile Grange No. 63; Hemlock Juvenile Grange No. 64; Plainfield Juvenile Grange No. 65; Salem Juvenile Grange No. 66 and started the organization of Roxbury Juvenile No. 67.

Brother Hall is a very serious Grange worker and has always held Agriculture above all other interests.



## IRA F. WILCOX

Ira F. Wilcox was born on December 19, 1900 in Coventry, Connecticut. He was the son of Ivan Francis Wilcox and Madge (Rhodes) Wilcox.

He received his education in the local grammar schools and Willimantic High School.

On July 4, 1922, he married Helen Marguerite Reynolds in Eagleville, Connecticut. She was the daughter of George Everett Reynolds and Nettie (Dunham) Reynolds.

The following children were born to them: Calvin Sleeth and Alice Marguerite Wilcox.

Brother Wilcox by faith is a Methodist and by politics a Democrat. He has been very active in many fields of endeavors, some of which are as follows: Past Secretary of the Board of Finance, and Justice of Peace in the Town of Mansfield. He formerly owned and operated a grocery store in Eagleville. For many years was associated with his father in the Retail Grain business and Woodworking Shop in Merrow; Treasurer of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Comuany. He was a member of the first Corn Club which 4-H Club Leader A. J. Brundage organized; Manager of the Mansfield Fruit Spray Ring which consisted of small fruit growers in the vicinity of Mansfield; member of the Grange Underwriters of Connecticut; owned and operated a fruit farm; serves upon Governor Lodge's 50th Anniversary of Powered Flight Committee. He is a member of the Masonic Order, Uriel Lodge No. 24, and Past Master of that Lodge; Past Patron of Climax Chapter No. 98 of the Order of Eastern Star; member of the Past Patrons and Matrons Ass'n. of that vicinity; member of the Masters, Wardens and Secretaries Ass'n. of the 9th Masonic District and served for many years upon the Committee of the Tolland Federated Church.

Some of his Grange Offices are as follows: Master and Secretary of Tolland Grange No. 51; Gatekeeper, Lecturer and Executive Committee member of East Central Pomona No. 3; for over 15 years served as the Secretary of the East Central Pomona Grange Soft Ball League; President of the New England Grange Officers Conference held in Boston each year; member of the East Central Pomona Grange Past Master's Association; Deputy of East Central Pomona Grange during 1934, 1935, 1936, and 1937; General Deputy during 1938 and 1929; Gatekeeper of the Connecticut State Grange during 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943; Assistant Steward of the State Grange during 1944, 1945, and 1946; Steward of the State Grange during 1947; Overseer of the State Grange during 1948 and 1949; and the 20th Master of the present State Grange during 1949. 1950, 1951, 1952, and 1953; Priest Annalyst of the Assembly of Demeter of the National Grange during 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, and 1953, which he still is at this writing.

Many highlights have occurred during his administration, a few of which are as follows: Establishment of a Central Office for the Connecticut State Grange in the Insurance Building in Glastonbury, Connecticut with a full time secretary; starting and successful operation of the first Juvenile Grange Camp in America; Dairy Supper support and encouragement of the use of milk products in cooperation with dairy groups; the first Grange Family Contest and many other things.

Sister Wilcox is of a retiring nature in public life, but her warm hospitality toward those who come to the "Wilcox" home is something one never forgets who have had the pleasure of being entertained there.

Spoonville Subordinate Grange No. 211 and the following Juvenile Granges were organized during his administration: Wichita Juvenile Grange No. 25 reorganized; Middlefield Juvenile Grange No. 11 reorganized; Mattabesett Juvenile Grange No. 38 reorganized; North Haven Juvenile Grange No. 50 reorganized; Roxbury Juvenile Grange No. 67; Tarringford Juvenile Grange No. 68; Union Juvenile Grange No. 69; Rippowan Juvenile Grange No. 70; Beacon Juvenile Grange No. 71 and Berlin Juvenile Grange No. 72.

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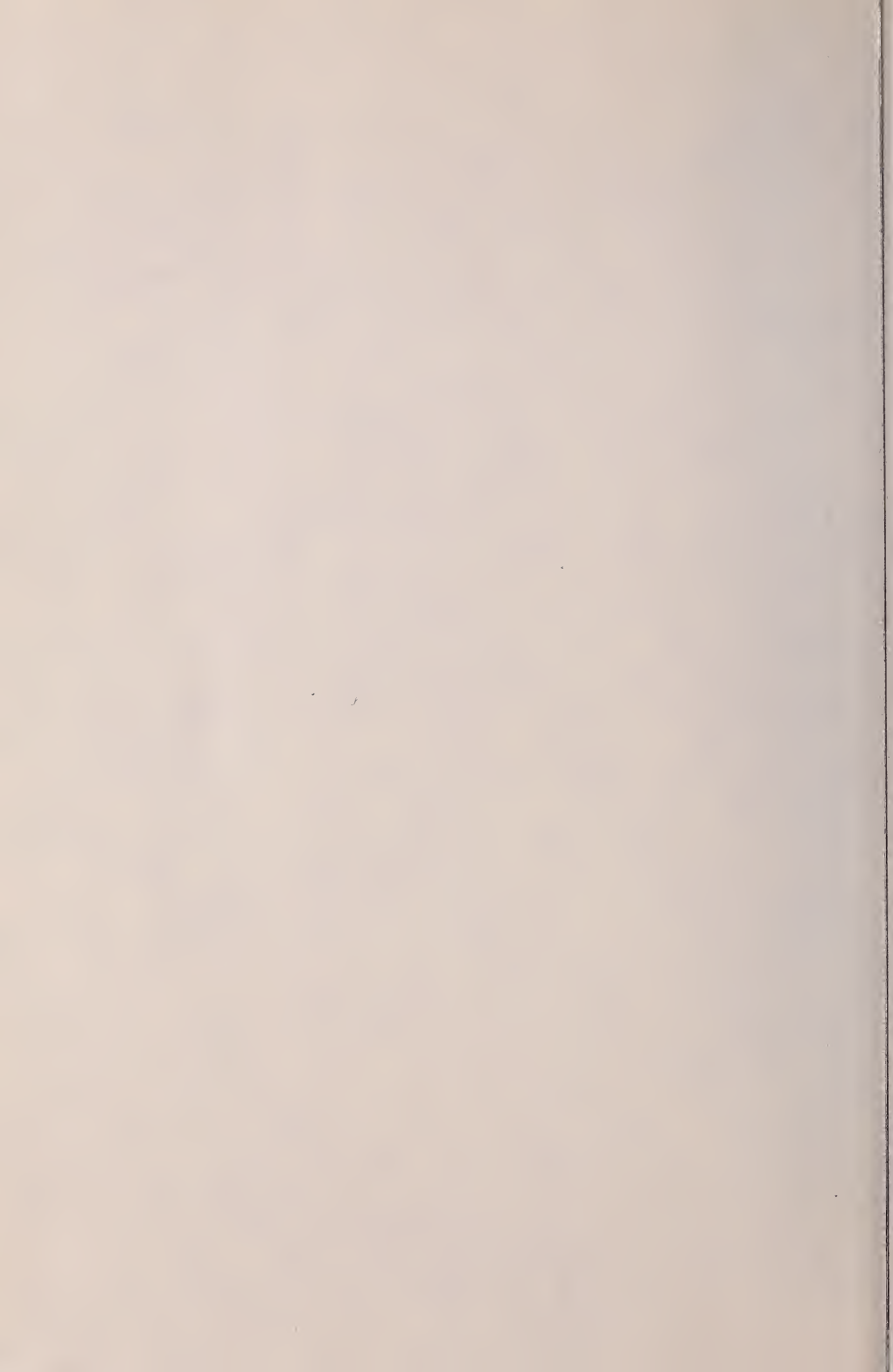




















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